**Read 180 / System 44**



Juniata Elementary School

Altoona Area School District

#### What is Read 180?

Read 180 is a 90-minute structured reading program that involves:

\* direct reading instruction in a whole group as well as small group format

\* individualized computer programs that include reading, writing, and spelling components

\* independent reading of books chosen by the students, according to their reading levels and personal interests



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# Your child displays a need for intense reading instruction. Based upon formal assessments (PSSA and 4-Sight results), your child will benefit from this program. The research is clear: we must invest sufficient time for instruction for students who are at risk of failure. Studies have conclusively shown that when schools implement and follow the 90-Minute Instructional Model, significant gains can be expected after one to two years of intense reading instruction.



**Benefits of the Read 180 Program**

The program is a 90 minute period of intense reading and writing – 4 days a week.

\* Two teachers are often available for individual instruction.

\* The course has a strong

technology component

\* Each room is equipped with

laptops as well as personal CD

players for audio books.



All students will receive whole group instruction using the Read 180 curriculum. Depending on the child’s Lexile reading level, they will either receive small group instruction using Read 180 or System 44. Those children who display greater reading needs will be using System 44. System 44 provides a strong phonetic foundation for the students, which promotes reading success. The computer component will match the child’s small group component. If a child is in Read 180 for small group, he will be using the Read 180 software. If a child is in System 44 for small group, he will be using the System 44 software.



#### What are the components of What is the difference between

#### Read 180 during the 90 minutes? Why is my child in Read 180? Read 180 and System 44?

20 Min. - Whole Group

This involves high-interest video clips to build background, as well as skill building components to foster reading success.

20 Min. - Small Group

This involves digging deeper into reading concepts and skills where the children have the opportunity to receive more individualized attention.

20 Min. - Computer Software

If your child is in Read 180, there is always a Reading Zone, Word Zone, Spelling Zone, and Success Zone. If your child is in System 44, the software builds a phonetic foundation by having the children identify sounds, read words, and complete sentences by filling in the proper words.

20 Min. - Independent Reading

Your child can choose books on his/her interest level. The books are leveled so your child is reading at his independent level. This eliminates frustration and elevates self-esteem

10 Min. - Wrap-Up   
This is an opportunity to share what was learned during the session as well as celebrate any accomplishments gained that day. The lesson of the day will also be reviewed.