

***Achieve 3000 is only being utilized with students who are in need of additional support in the area of reading.**

Achieve 3000

<http://www.achieve3000.com/> (website)

<http://www.achieve3000.com/what-we-believe> (video)

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am very pleased to pass along some new information to you. The school has recently decided to utilize a new program, Achieve3000/TeenBiz, to help improve student's reading skills at school and at home. This is a program specifically for middle school students to help increase reading comprehension and writing skills.

The program uses a "Level Set" computer based assessment to provide your child with reading and writing that is specific to his or her grade and individual reading level. For each student the content is the same, but depending on his or her ability is customized to match each student's reading level. The lessons also come with a variety of fun activities to improve your child's comprehension, vocabulary and writing skills. As your child's reading level improves, the program will increase the level of difficulty so he/she remains challenged and interested.

Upon logging in, the program allows the students to check a "Mail" account. Their mailbox contains new articles including ones sent directly by the teacher. We ask that students to complete articles sent to them by the teacher first, before completing articles assigned by the program.

When working on the lessons, it is important for your child to remember to do his or her best on the activities as this will ensure the best match between your child's ability and the content delivered. It is also important that your child's answers to the questions reflect work completed independently and without extra assistance. We have the ability to review the work they submit, especially the writing, and provide them with strategies and suggestions to go back and correct/improve the work in a new draft. When using the program at home, the students are encouraged to make sure they complete any work that they started in school, making sure to follow the five steps. ***We recommend that the children log on at least two times per week at home and during A.I.S and spend at least thirty minutes working in the program each time.***

Here's is a brief overview of how the program works:

1. Students log on to <http://login.achieve3000.com> with the following username and password. (Or the students may remember to go to <https://www.teenbiz3000.com/?&lang=1> which will provide them with another way to login.)
2. Encourage your child to follow these five easy steps:
Step 1: Respond to the Before Reading Poll.
Step 2: Read the Article.
Step 3: Do the Activity Questions.
Step 4: Respond to the After Reading Poll.
Step 5: Answer the Thought Question.
3. Students receive feedback at school or through e-mails from their teachers regarding their progress and next steps

Thank you so much for your support and please feel free to e-mail any questions you may have regarding Achieve/TeenBiz!

Sincerely,

The PVC English Teachers