

***Fast ForWord* 2nd Block 2008-2009**

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2nd Block

Course Description:

For 50 minutes daily, the student will work on the *Fast ForWord* products. *Fast ForWord* is a family of products (software) that provides practice in reading and literacy skills for students. Furthermore, *Fast ForWord* exercises are “brain-building” exercises. These exercises stimulate the human brain so as to be more focused, attentive, and have improved memory. The exercises require your full attention. The remainder of the block will be used to learn reading skills and strategies and to read silently.

Materials Needed:

- Blue or black ink pens
- Vocabulary notebook
- Journal
- Loose Leaf Paper

Determination of Grades:

The weekly report for *Fast ForWord* allows students to earn “caps” for completion, attendance, and participation (see reverse). A total of fifteen caps can be earned for the week. Your grade will be generated by the ratio of caps earned to total caps possible ($x/15$).

That ratio will be converted to a percent and a grade:

<u>Percent</u>	<u>Grade</u>
90-100	A
80-89	B
70-79	C
60-69	D
59 and lower	F