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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The LDCSB Program Department is pleased to inform you that we have purchased Premier Home Use for all students and staff. This will complement the Premier license installed on all our Board computers in every school. Access to this software both at home and at school will enhance your child(ren)s independent learning opportunities and provide them with increased opportunities for academic success.

Premier is a text to speech suite of applications that will read typewritten text, email or websites out loud. It has built in writing supports such as word prediction, a talking dictionary and a talking spell check. The Universal Reader can instantly translate documents from eight different languages into conversational English. These programs are designed to assist all our learners to access the curriculum to the best of their ability.

Premier Accessibility Suite contains ten literacy software programs, which will help your students access the curriculum. The programs include: The Talking Word Processor, Talking Dictionary, Universal Reader with the talking pointer, Talking Dictionary, Scan and Read Pro, E-Text Reader, Premier Predictor Pro, Text to Audio, PDF Equalizer and Magnify It. Please visit their website www.readingmadeeasy.com to watch the training videos.

Premier Home Licence: With the Premier Home Licence, students and their families are able to download the Premier applications by following the instructions on the **Quickstart Guide** using the LDCSB login and password.

Please note:

Any installation or operating questions regarding home use are to be directed through the extensive supports on the Premier website, NOT LDSCB technicians or Board staff. Premier offers Free email support for all users from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. EST Monday- Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. EST. Go to support@readingmadeeasy.ca Phone support is also available 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EST Monday to Friday **1-902-482-4680**.

Sincerely,

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Superintendents - Program Department



QUICKSTART GUIDE

Premier Literacy has as comprehensive suite of digital reading and writing tools that your local school district has provided to you while you're in school. ***Your local school district has now made these programs available for you to use AT HOME.***

Have your computer read your favorite web page, email, homework, or even read a book. There is even a program on this site that will let you convert your documents into audio files so you can listen to them on your MP3 player or iPod! These tools are also great for proofreading and editing your homework and have features that help you study more efficiently and effectively.

This QuickStart Guide will help you to get up and running quickly on the AT Home site. You'll find the following information:

- *System Requirements,*
- *Login Instructions,*
- *Screen interface features,*
- *Download and installation instructions and*
- *digital Literacy tool Descriptions*

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Before you download and use Premier Literacy's tools, you will want to make sure your home computer meets the following minimum system requirements. If your system meets these requirements and you have any issues once you download and install the software, be sure to contact Premier Literacy Technical Support at 815-927-7390, Option 2.

- Microsoft Windows XP, Vista
- 512 MB of RAM recommended
- 200 MB of free disk space
- Mouse, Keyboard, Speakers
- SVGA Monitor with a minimum 800x600 DPI resolution

A scanner is only a requirement if you wish to convert hardcopy documents (i.e. books, magazines, letters) into digital text. Premier Literacy's scanning features work with virtually all Automatic Document Feed (ADF) and All-In-One scanners.

Mac downloads are not available on the AT Home site. For more information on receiving the Mac version for home use, please contact your school's AT Home Program Administrator.

LOGIN INSTRUCTIONS

You can go to www.premierathome.com and download and install as many products as you need. The only limitation is that these programs can only be installed on computers owned by the student or parents of the student.

1. Go to www.premierathome.com. Once you get to the site, you will see a Log In screen.



The screenshot shows the Premier Literacy AT Home website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'ABOUT US | LOGIN' and a 'Start Downloading' button. The main content area is divided into several sections. On the left, there is a 'Log In' section with a red box around it and a red arrow pointing to it. The 'Log In' section contains a 'Username' field, a 'Password' field, and a 'Log In' button. To the right of the 'Log In' section is a 'Premier AT Home' section with a 'How does it work?' heading and text explaining the program. Below the 'Log In' section is a 'Learn More About Us' section with a question mark icon and contact information for US and Canada. At the bottom, there is a section about the program's benefits and a photo of a family reading together.

2. Type in the following Username and Password and then click on the **Log In** button.

Username: **ldcsb**

Password: **enable**

3. Note that the Username and Password are case sensitive, so you must correctly enter all numbers and upper-case and lower-case letters exactly as they have been provided to you by your school!. When your login is successful, you will be at the Home page.
4. From this screen you may select information on **Getting Started** or select one of the tabs for **Products, Start Downloading, Support** or **Contact** Premier Literacy. You may also see your **school logo** and a **message from your school** on this page.



- Home
- Products
- Start Downloading
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- Contact

Tabs

System Req's

To use Premier Literacy's products, be sure your computer has:

Windows XP or Vista
512 MB RAM

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U.S.:
 815-927-7390

Canada:
 902-482-4680

Welcome to Premier Literacy's Home Use Site

Featuring Premier Literacy's Tools

Welcome to all Team Premier school users. Help support the Run for Literacy! We'll be attempting to set another world record at our next event.

If you know which product you want to download we have all available products listed on our [Products Page](#). If you're not sure which product would be best for you please read our [Getting Started](#) page which will help you decide. Whenever you are done and wish to [Log Out](#), you can click the link on the top right, while anywhere on the site.

The use of Premier Literacy tools is sponsored by Premier Literacy and is available to you through to *September 01, 2030*. If you would like to continue to have these tools available to you after that date, please be sure to let your school district know how these tools are helping you.



Helpful Links

GETTING STARTED

Learn how to get started using Premier AT Home

CONTACT INFO

Contact Premier Literacy for any and all needs.

"Having a parent or other caring person read aloud with their children helps children learn listening skills, vocabulary and language skills, as well as develop imagination and creativity."
 (Family Literacy Foundation; 2001)

Getting Started

With access to literacy tools In-School and on the AT Home site, students, parents and teachers are all on the same team. Making reading a "family affair" helps children develop listening skills, increase their vocabulary and spark creativity and imagination. Help make these literacy tools become "lifestyle tools" and create a lifetime of success.



Premier Literacy -- a division of Premier Assistive, is a leader in the field of literacy technology, offering complete and affordable reading and writing solutions. With programs that recognize, validate and

School Message

School Name

School Logo