



Dear Parents/Guardians.

The LDCSB Program Department is pleased to inform you that we have purchased Premier Home Use for all students and staff as of December 18, 2008. This will complement the Premier license installed on all our Board computers in every school this fall. We feel that having 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, talking dictionary and 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 will now be able to download the Premier applications by following the instructions on the **Quickstart Guide** using the LDCSB login and password. **Please be advised that if you presently have the trial version of Premier on your computer, you should remove it (My Computer) before downloading the Literacy Pack with the new log in and password.** Home use will be activated from **December 18, 2008 to August 31, 2009.**

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.**

On behalf of the Program Department, we extend our wish to you for a wonderful Christmas holiday with family and friends.

Sincerely,
Terry Grand, Tamara Nugent, Catherine Sexton
Superintendents - Program Department



If you are interested in this program please visit our school website and click on Notices. All information will be listed there next week. Hardcopies will also be available in our school office.



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 banner with the Premier Literacy logo and the text 'Premier AT Home'. Below the banner, there is 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 two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password', and a 'Log In' button. To the right of the 'Log In' section, there is a 'Premier AT Home' sidebar with the heading 'How does it work?' and a paragraph of text. Below the 'Log In' section, there is a 'Learn More About Us' section with a question mark icon and contact information for the US and Canada. At the bottom, there is a paragraph of text and a circular image 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.

The screenshot shows the Premier Literacy AT Home website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Premier Literacy logo and the text "Premier AT Home". To the right of the logo, there are links for "ABOUT US" and "LOG OUT". Below the navigation bar is a green horizontal bar containing five tabs: "Home", "Products", "Start Downloading", "Support", and "Contact". A red box labeled "Tabs" points to this bar.

The main content area is divided into several sections. On the left, there is a "System Req's" section with text about computer requirements for Windows XP or Vista and Mac. In the center, there is a "Welcome to Premier Literacy's Home Use Site" section with a "Team Premier Going the Distance" logo. A red box labeled "Getting Started" points to a "GETTING STARTED" link in the "Helpful Links" section on the right. Below the welcome message, there is a "School Message" section with text about literacy tools in school and at home. A red box labeled "School Name" points to the text "Premier Literacy" in the paragraph below the school message. A red box labeled "School Logo" points to a circular image of a family reading together.

Annotations include:

- Tabs**: Points to the navigation bar.
- Getting Started**: Points to the "GETTING STARTED" link in the "Helpful Links" section.
- School Message**: Points to the paragraph starting with "With access to literacy tools In-School and on the AT Home site, students, parents and teachers are all on the same team."
- School Name**: Points to the text "Premier Literacy" in the paragraph below the school message.
- School Logo**: Points to the circular image of a family reading together.