



Dear Parents,

The Bodine School now has access to *Typing Pal School*, an online tool for learning how to type. Your child can practice directly from home via the Internet.

Technological evolution and the ever-growing presence of the Internet in our daily lives have made keyboard proficiency a necessity for your child to be successful at school and work. Keyboarding is a particularly important skill for children with dyslexia. We are, therefore, requiring home practice for all students in grades four and above three-five times per week. We also expect students to reach the following benchmarks by the end of the year :

Grade 4 : 15 words per minute with 85% accuracy

Grade 5 : 20 words per minute with 85% accuracy

End of Grade 8 : 30 words per minute with 90% accuracy

Your child's number of practices and progress will be monitored during each six week period and reported on the six week report card.

As a parent, please remind and encourage your child to improve on what he/she has learned by reminding him/her to practice at home every week. He/she can log in at this address: <http://school.typingpal.com?BODIBODI>, or link to it from The Bodine School Homework page.

Your student's username and password are: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Mrs. Smith in the technology department or your child's sponsor or classroom teacher if you have any questions.

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Student's Name