

Dear Parents and Students:

We are very excited to have the latest technology for you to use with our science materials. The Holt textbooks we are using are available online to all of our students and parents. This resource alleviates the need for students to carry textbooks from school to home and back again. Studying and homework are much easier since the book is always available.

The online text is identical to the printed textbook. It also has the added following features:

- An audio component that will read the text for you. This can also be downloaded.
- A visual concepts component that has both still pictures and video clips to help explain a topic. This also has an audio component.
- Online self-test quizzes
- Web links for each section of the book
- General resources for the online program

To access the online textbook do the following:

1. Go to <http://my.hrw.com> (there is no www.)
2. Type in your username and password – this was given to you by your teacher.
3. The online textbook is identical to the print text including page numbers. You can choose a chapter, section, page to view. The audio tab will read the page to you but you must scroll through the page, it is not automatic.

If you do not have internet access at home, the Fairfield Public Library does have access available. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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