

Announcing....



Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Fairfield School System has implemented a new cloud-based keyboarding program. All students can log in from home (or anywhere with internet connection), as well as at school. This will allow students some much needed practice time that will “count” toward moving forward in the program.

All 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students have accounts and are being introduced to *Typing Pal* during Tech Time. The second graders will be introduced to it after we finish our current Washington, D.C. unit, but feel free to log in anytime. The crucial element in practicing at home is the need for correct finger placement. We work hard on that in school and would like those practices to be continued at home. In elementary school, **correct finger placement and accuracy is much, much more important than speed.**

A link to *Typing Pal* can be found on the Virtual Library on the Sherman Website.

<http://fairfieldschools.org/schools/sherm/>. All student usernames are the same usernames students use to log into the computers at school. Students should know these (*first initial then their last name – some have a number after their last name*). We also have a list of usernames in the LLC (Library Learning Commons), if you are having trouble. The password for everyone at Sherman on TypingPal is **sammy** – all lowercase.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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