QWERTY TOWN

Dear Parents,

Paul and I are excited to welcome you to QwertyTown! As educators and parents, we sought to create a new kind of keyboarding program; one that teaches keyboarding fluency in a safe, teacher-controlled environment where students can communicate with their classmates, teachers, and friends.

The Importance of Keyboarding

Just as you use your mouth to speak or your pen to write, you must be equally skilled at using a keyboard to communicate in today's world. The new Common Core State Standards, adopted throughout the United States, require that students as young as fourth grade are able to type a full page in one sitting.** As subscribers to QwertyTown, your child's school recognizes the critical part keyboarding fluency plays in literacy.

What Can You Do?

QwertyTown is web-based. By heading to **http://go.qwertytown.com**, your child can log in and practice from home. There is no installation required; your child's subscription through school allows access via a username and password. If you do not know your child's username and password, contact his or her teacher. For advice on helping your child to use proper posture and fingering, take a look at the Teacher's Guide at **http://qwertytown.com/about/resources**. Have fun, and we'll see you around in QwertyTown!

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KEYS for LIFE

-David Grammerstorf and Paul Garofano,
Creators of QwertyTown

**See Writing standard w.4.6. For more on the Common Core State Standards, go to www.corestandards.org.