

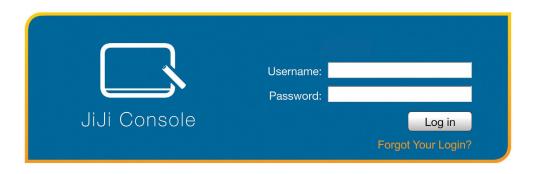


Training Manual

ST Math®: Fluency



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Support Information

My Education Support Specialist is:		



✓ Access the **Teacher Resource Site** anytime for help with all your ST Math needs. Find tutorials, videos, and other frequently updated resources.

Program access:

- ✓ Access ST Math from any computer by navigating to **stmath.com**.
- ✓ Access ST Math from supported tablets! Download ST Math: School Version from the iTunes® Store, Google Play, or the Amazon Appstore.

Additional help is available!

- ✓ **Toll-free**: (888) 491-6603, Monday-Friday, 6:00 AM 5:00 PM, PST
- ✓ e-mail: support@mindresearch.net
- ✓ text: 424-MIND TXT (424-646-3898)

Introduction

The 2008 National Math Panel report repeatedly emphasizes the educational importance of achieving automatic (accurate, quick and effortless) retrieval of basic math facts. One scientific basis for requiring "quick and effortless" retrieval is that it frees up working memory (Ashcraft, 1994) and allows students to avoid getting bogged down by basic calculations when learning and applying mathematics at later stages. ST Math®: Fluency is designed to develop this level of automaticity for each student using an engaging, highly-effective visual approach that promotes understanding of the underlying math concepts.

What is fluency?

Fluency is most often associated with language. For example, we say a person is fluent in a foreign language if he or she is able to speak or write that language easily and accurately. However, the concept of fluency can be applied to other areas of learning, such as basic arithmetic, where being fluent in a particular area means that you can accurately and swiftly perform the key skills and recall the key facts with ease.

Being fluent, then, can be summarized as having the following attributes:

- ✓ High accuracy
- ✓ High speed
- ✓ Effortlessness

The last attribute is crucial, yet frequently ignored. Many math programs focus on accuracy (a score on a test). But accuracy alone does not ensure "quick and effortless." Other programs incorporate speed (a score on a timed test), but being fast doesn't necessarily mean that you are doing it effortlessly. Students can become exceptionally fast at using counting or other cumbersome techniques to derive basic facts, and students will continue to rely on these techniques and can even do well on a timed test (Sherin & Fuson, 2005). However, these techniques, despite the speed at which some students can perform them, require substantial mental effort, which we want to free up for other purposes.

How does ST Math Fluency address these needs?

Our ultimate goal for ST Math: Fluency is to enable students to recall basic math facts accurately, quickly and effortlessly. Only with this level of fluency will students be unencumbered by these basic calculations when progressing to higher levels of mathematics. ST Math: Fluency helps students achieve this goal by incorporating adaptive training techniques, informative feedback and actively controlled (as opposed to passively watched) visual proofs. As a result, students memorize their facts with a solid understanding of the underlying operations in a way that leads to fast and effortless recall.

Accessing the JiJi Console

Tip: If you don't have a username or password, call your school's Education Support Specialist.

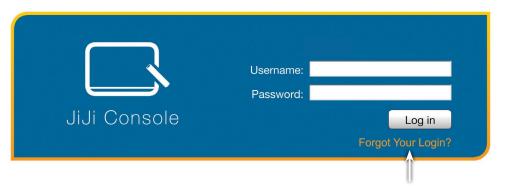
The JiJi Console provides all the tools needed to effectively manage your class rosters, browse and sequence content, view reports, and more.

To access the JiJi Console from a computer:

- Navigate to http://web.stmath.com.
- From the Welcome page, click on the "Teacher Login" button at the top right corner of the page.



Log in by typing in your username and password. Then click the "Log in" button.



Forgot your password? Click here.

To access the JiJi Console from a tablet, or from your school's welcome screen:

- ✓ Triple-click or triple-tap on the bottom-right corner of the Welcome screen.
- ✓ Type in your username and password. Then select the "Log in" button.





*Tablet devices require the **ST Math: School Version** app. See page iv for more information.

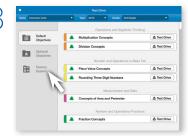
Accessing the Fluency Curriculum



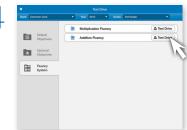
From the JiJi Console, Select Test-drive games.



Select a grade level from 2 to 5 or Secondary Intervention.



Select Fluency System.



Choose either Addition or Multiplication Fluency and select **Test Drive**.



Select with open access to view all games.



Select the pool to explore.



Select the game to explore.



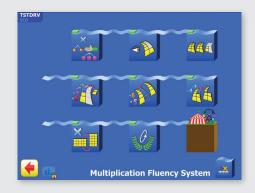
Select the stage to explore.

Fluency Hierarchy



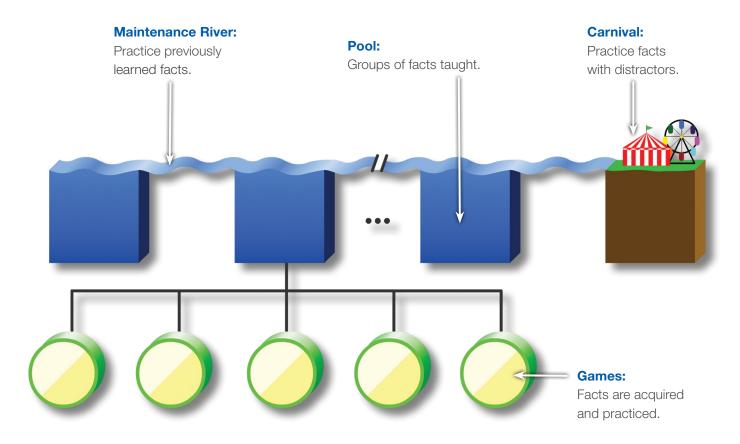
Addition Curriculum

(Available for grades 1 through Secondary Intervention)



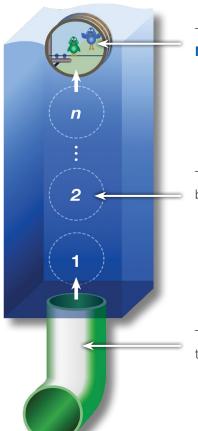
Multiplication Curriculum

(Available for grades 2 through Secondary Intervention)



Fluency Stages and Interface

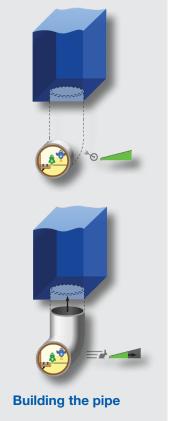
Fluency Stages



The fluency stage of this game is Maintenance (fluent).

The fluency stage represented by this region is **Demonstration (practice)**.

The fluency stage represented by the pipe is Acquisition (learning strategy).



The student's accuracy level builds the outline of the pipe, then the speed level fills that pipe.



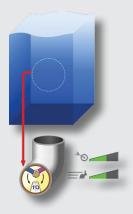
Transition to demonstration

When the pipe connects to the bottom of the pool, the group of facts transitions to the demonstration stage.



Fluency on first attempt

If the student demonstrates fluency on the first attempt, the group of facts accelerates to the maintenance stage.

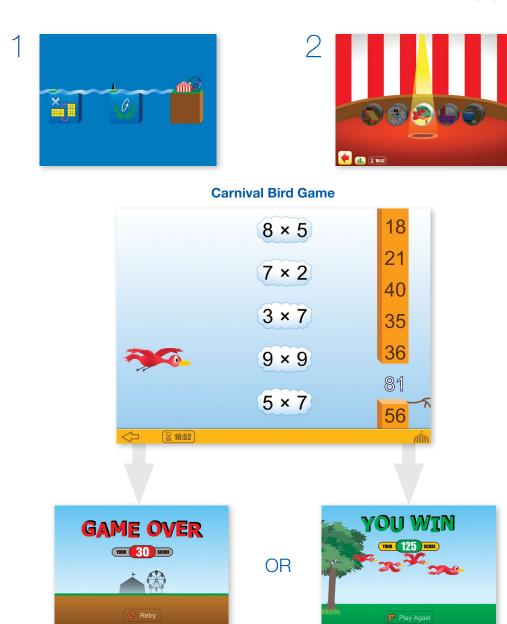


Failed demonstration

If the student fails to demonstrate fluency, the group of facts moves back to the acquisition stage.

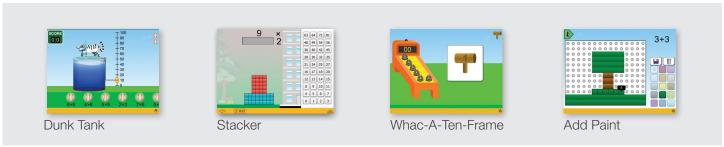
Carnival Games

The Carnival: The last module of each curriculum is titled carnival. Games are designed to give students the opportunity to practice their facts in the presence of distractors in a fun and engaging way.



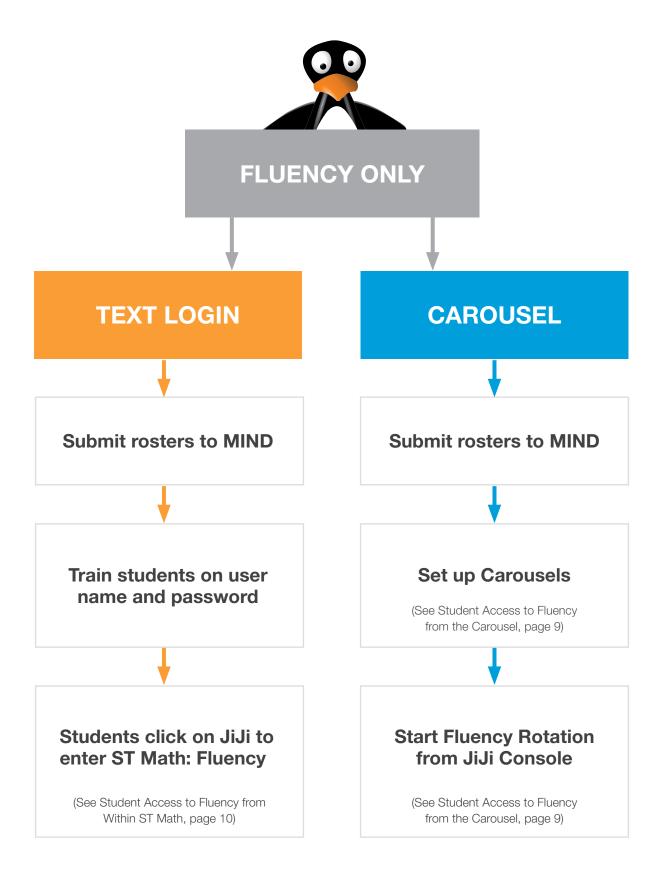
Other Carnival Games

Lose scene

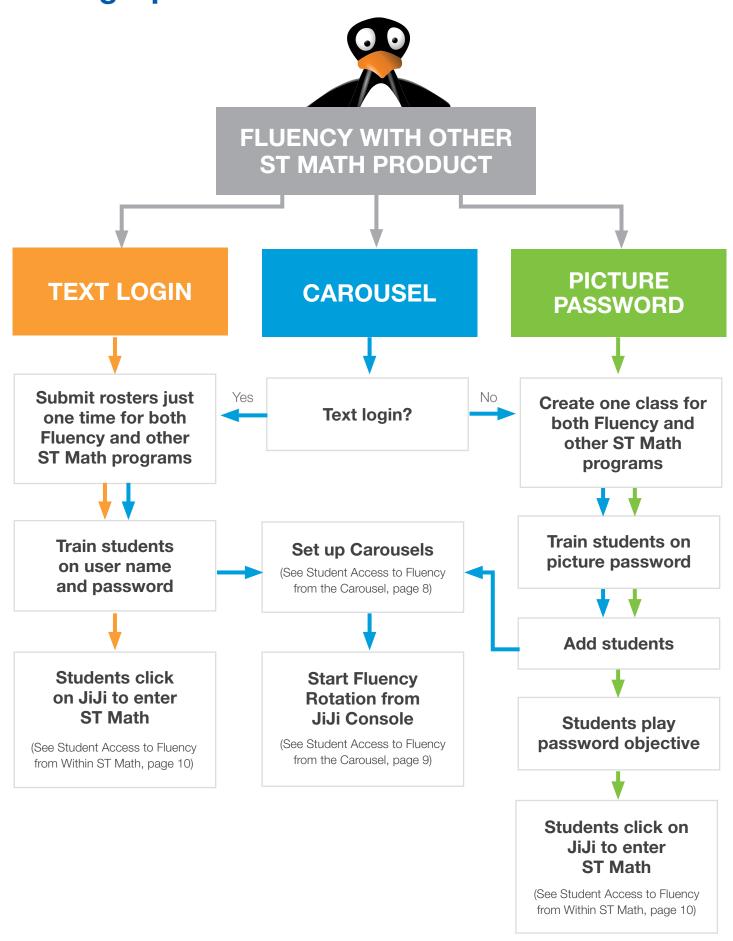


Win scene

Setting Up A Class



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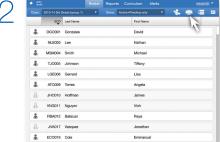
Student Access To Fluency Using the Carousel

Note: The carousel is an automated student rotation system. Once saved, carousels will stay as set, but can be edited at any time by clicking the Edit Carousel button as shown in steps 5 and 6. Repeat these steps for **each** computer used in the rotation.



From the JiJi Console (see login instructions on page 2), select the

Roster section of the Class Card.



Select the Carousel icon.



Select Continue.



Adjust time, if desired, then select Continue.

On first use, you will need to complete these two additional steps: 4.1



Select the number of computers to be used for this rotation.



Arrange students within and across each carousel, then select Save.



Select which carousel to use for the computer you are on.

Note: The Student code shows the first letter of the student's first name and the first two letters of the last name followed by a three-digit number. On computers only: Hover over the code and click Edit to see the full student name.



Call the first student to the device and instruct him/her to select Play.

Student Access To Fluency from Within ST Math



Instruct students to launch ST Math.

2



Students should then click/tap on JiJi to enter ST Math.

Visual password





Instruct students to enter their visual password.





To start Fluency, instruct students to click/tap the Fluency button in the upper left corner of the screen.





Finally, ask students to select the pool with the brown hut.

Text-based password

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Tell students to enter their user name and password, then select Log In.



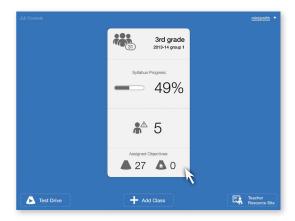
To start Fluency, instruct students to click/tap on JiJi.



Finally, ask students to select the pool with the brown hut.

Setting Class Options

From the JiJi Console (see login instructions on page 2), select the **Curriculum section of the Class Card.**

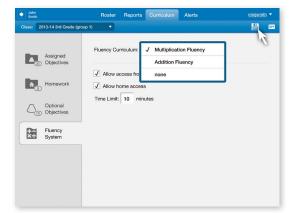


- Select Fluency System. Note: Fluency-only schools will not see the list of objectives.
- Default Objectives Multiplication Concepts △ Test Drive Division Concepts △ Test Drive Place Value Concepts ▲ Test Drive Rounding Three-Digit Numbers △ Test Drive ▲ Test Drive Concepts of Area and Perimeter ▲ Fraction Concepts △ Test Drive

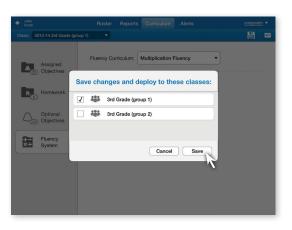
Modify the appropriate settings, then click/tap on Save to save changes.

Options include:

- ✓ Curriculum choice (addition or multiplication) - grades 2 through Secondary Intervention only
- ✓ Allow/disallow access through ST Math
- ✓ Allow/disallow access from home
- ✓ Adjust student time limit



Confirm to which classes the changes should be deployed, then select Save.

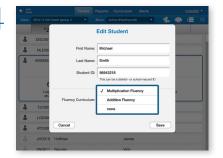


Changing Curriculum for a Single Student

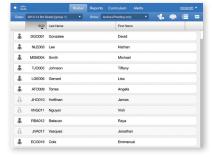
Note: First grade students have access to the Addition curriculum only.



From the JiJi Console (see login instructions on page 2), select the Roster section of the Class Card.



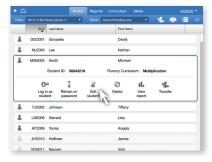
From the drop down menu, select the curriculum you wish to assign to the student.



Select the student that needs the change.



Select Save.



Select Edit student.

Exiting the Curriculum



Time's Up!

When time runs out, students should review their progress report, then select the red back arrow button.

OR



"Time's Up" scene for pools 1-2 for Addition curriculum and pools 1-3 for Multiplication curriculum. Use back arrow to exit.



"Time's Up" scene for pools after students begin achieving fluency mastery. Use back arrow to exit.

If using the Carousel



From the "Today's Accomplishments" screen, select the red X button to end the current student's session.



When the carousel appears, the current student should call the next student to the computer. If the student is absent or unavailable, select the following student.



When all students have completed playing, select the X to exit the Carousel.

If accessed from within ST Math



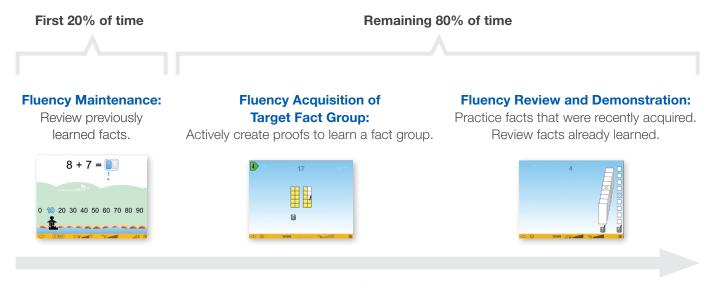
Students can either select the objective cone to enter the normal ST Math curriculum, or the red back arrow to exit the program.



From "Today's Accomplishments" screen, select the red X button to exit the program.

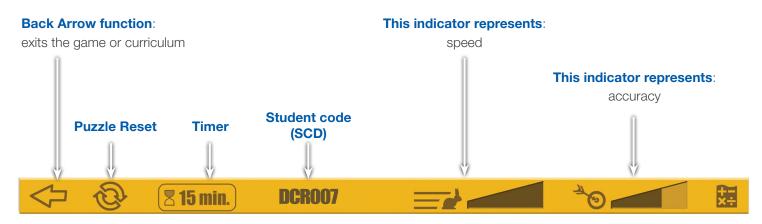
The Fluency System Structure and Interface

Fluency Timeline



10 - 15 minutes

Game Toolbar



The toolbar appears at the bottom of the screen whenever the student is working within a game.

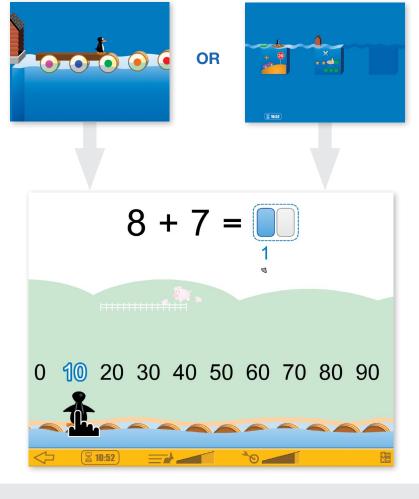
The Fluency River

The River

Students play the river game under various situations during their session.

Students play the river:

- Before going into the pool each day
- After completing a pool



Background scenery

As students work on the river, the background scenery scrolls to show progress. When the questions cover multiple pools, the landscape changes. Here, the river is passing through hills.



When the student answers incorrectly, he/she is walked through the entire fact.

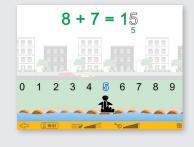




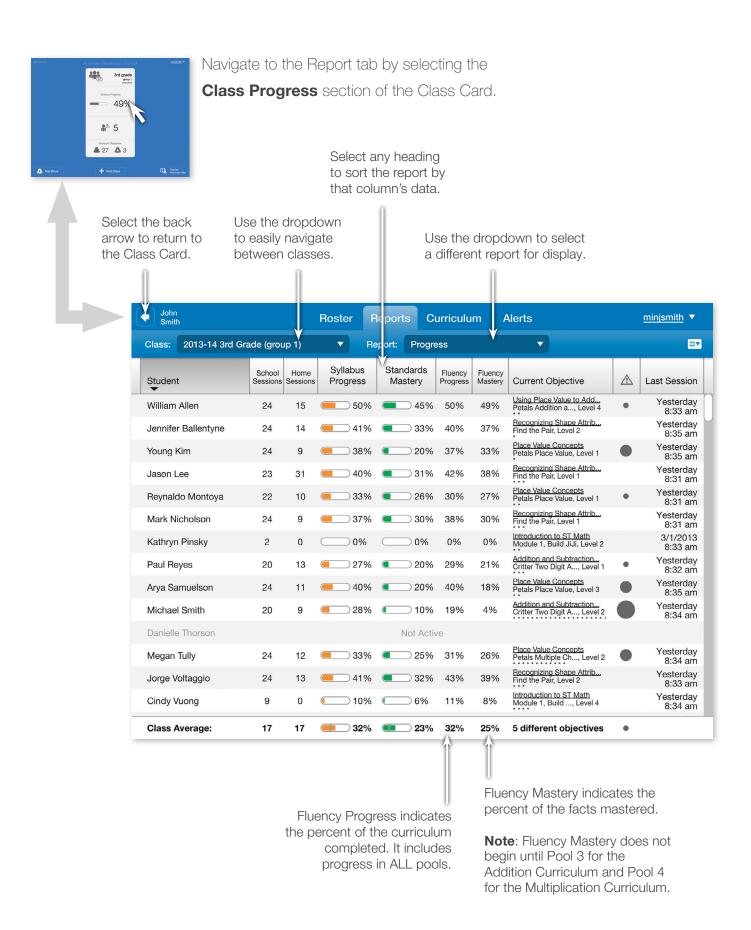




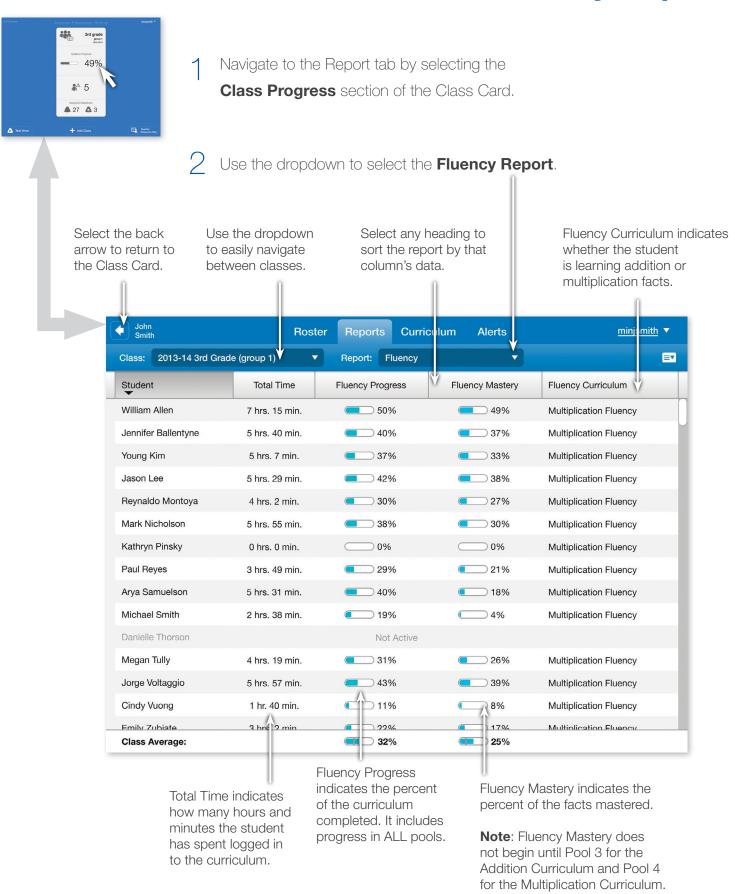




Class Progress Report

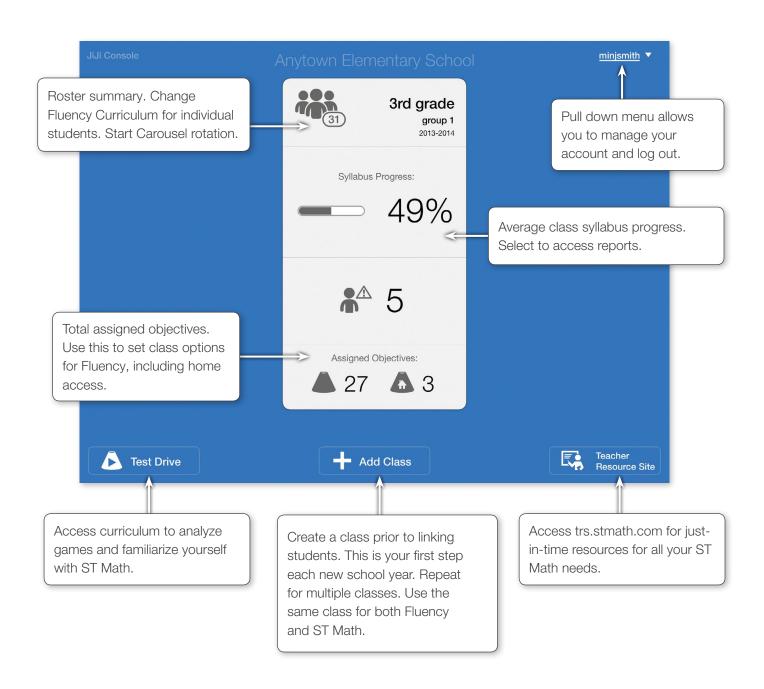


Fluency Report



JiJi Console Dashboard

Your dashboard displays the Class Cards you have created for a quick view of all the functions available to help you monitor and support your students. Multiple Class Cards will be displayed on the JiJi Console for teachers with multiple groups. Select any section of the Class Card for additional functions and details.



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