



DREW CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

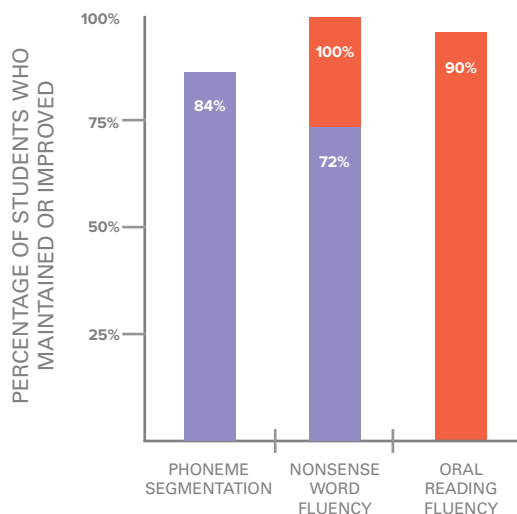
Monticello, AR

Camp Learn A Lot offers existing kindergarten and first graders a camp-themed summer literacy program for students at Drew Central Elementary. The program combined literacy and enrichment activities for the four-week program which lasted from 8 am until noon.

Outcomes



Students attending the program maintained or improved their literacy skills when comparing end of the year DIBELS scores (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) with an assessment given at the end of the summer program. More than 60% of kindergartners maintained or improved their letter naming fluency and 84% maintained or increased their phoneme segmentation. For first graders, 100% maintained or improved their nonsense word fluency and 90% improved or maintained on DIBELS oral reading fluency.



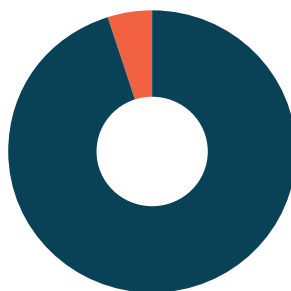
● KINDERGARTEN ● FIRST GRADE

One Child's Story



One first grader began Camp Learn A Lot as a struggling reader with little confidence and low self-esteem. She often avoided reading. Her teacher said, "when I first started working with her, she had difficulty with phonemic awareness, phonological awareness, sound symbol recognition, and spelling skills." While in first grade, it was determined she had dyslexia tendencies. Participating in the summer program allowed this student to continue receiving interventions and avoid the summer learning loss. She is now a happy and confident reader and continues to see progress. Her teacher says, "she is now able to read and spell words that include digraphs, combinations, and multiple syllables. She is able to name the number of sounds in words, and then translate them into the correct letters for making the sounds."

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