



INSTITUTE FOR

Excellence in Writing

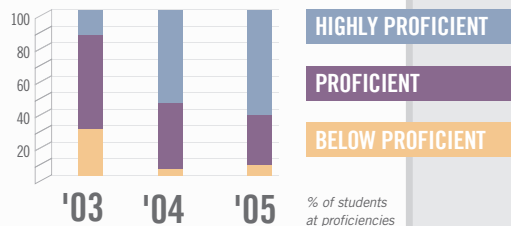
An effective method for teaching writing skills

QUESTION: CAN SWITCHING TO EXCELLENCE IN WRITING ACTUALLY IMPROVE STUDENTS' TEST SCORES?

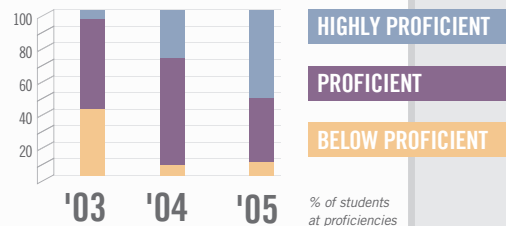
ANSWER: YES!

THE ROCKLIN STUDY

Granite Oaks Middle School 7th Grade Writing Scores



Spring View Middle School 7th Grade Writing Scores



A more detailed report and analysis is available at

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District size:
9 Elementary Schools (K-6)
2 Middle Schools (7-8)

A 2003-2005 study from Rocklin, California, shows that 7th grade students who were introduced to the Excellence in Writing process in their 4-6th grade years scored significantly higher than those tested previously.

- 2001 Excellence in Writing adopted for 4th grade in all nine elementary schools
- 2002 Initial group of 4th grade students in 5th grade
- 2003 Initial group of 4th grade students in 6th grade

In 2003, 36% of 7th grade students in both schools combined were below proficient in writing, as determined by California State Standards.

- 2004 Initial group of 4th grade students in 7th grade

In 2004 and 2005, only 4-5% were below proficient. Corresponding increases in proficiency levels can be seen, indicating a dramatic overall improvement in students with several years of consistently applied instruction with the process.

- 2005 Second group of 4th grade students in 7th grade

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