Not If, but How: Literacy in the Golden State

California Literacy Summit
November 2, 2023
This is urgent.
ELA in Tennessee: Highest Results in State History
(since standards revision)

Statewide, 38.1% of students scored proficient on ELA assessments across all tested grades.

8.3 percentage point increase from 2020-21's proficiency rate of 29.8%

In grades 3-8, 36.6% of students scored proficient on ELA assessments.

8.2 percentage point increase from 2020-21's proficiency rate of 28.4%

In grades 9-10, 42.3% of students scored proficient on ELA assessments.

8.6 percentage point increase from 2020-21's proficiency rate of 33.7%
There’s no way around it.
You must have:

POLICY + FUNDING + IMPLEMENTATION
The Tennessee Solution: Reading360 and the Tennessee Literacy Success Act

**TRAINING & COACHING**
Provide additional support for both teachers in classrooms and future teachers around literacy instruction

**IMPLEMENTATION NETWORKS**
Establish and fund regional district networks focused on literacy and high quality materials

**ONLINE TOOL**
Feature video-based lessons, teacher implementation supports, at-home family reading resources, and leader guidance documents

**CONNECTED LITERACY**
Provide 13,000+ students and their families with microgrants for early literacy tutoring

**EPP & LPP INNOVATIONS**
Support for educator and leader preparation providers in developing new courses and content

**CORE SUPPORTS**
Provide district leaders with support for implementation and establishment of systems across 8 CORE regions

**ASSESSMENT OF LITERACY**
Connect teachers, leaders, and parents to resources, tools, and data using early grade literacy screener and information system

**PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**
Build and foster partnerships across the state to elevate awareness and promote broader engagement
Connections and Cohesion

Districts/Schools

Content & Materials

Connected Initiatives

Community Partnerships

Reading 360 Model Districts

BEST FOR ALL

TN ALLCorps

SCHOLASTIC

ELA FS GradeK Week3 Lesson8

GROW YOUR OWN

GOVERNOR'S EARLY LITERACY FOUNDATION

BEST FOR ALL CENTRAL

accelerating TN TOUR 2021

Ready4K

Knowledge Matters

Tennessee Reading Research Center

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Voices (and unwavering focus) Matter

Governor - Legislature - DOE - Advocates - Community Orgs - Media