

Kaplan K12 Research Case Study

Imhotep Institute Charter High School

School is listed at top 10 performer due to increased student performance

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SCHOOL INFORMATION

Imhotep Institute Charter High School is an “Afrikan-centered, science, mathematics, and technology learning center” whose mission is to create a high-quality academic environment for future urban leaders. The goal of the school is to “nurture lifelong learners and valuable members of the world community.” Technology is a key component of the curriculum and students participate in a wide range of career, work, and entrepreneurial projects. Imhotep and Kaplan K12 Learning Services partnered during the 2005-06 school year to help students needing reading intervention support and to increase performance on the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA).

DEMOGRAPHICS

State: Pennsylvania
District: The School District of Philadelphia
Type: Large Urban, Title 1

Enrollment: 525
Grades Served: 9-12
Black: 99.4%
Free/Reduced Lunch: 90%

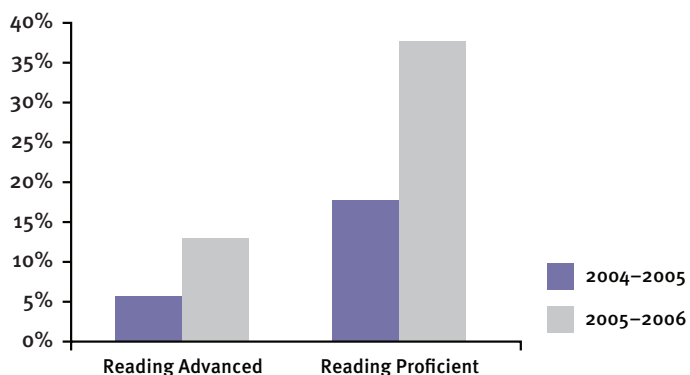
IMPLEMENTATION MODEL

The 2005-06 school year partnership included Kaplan K12’s reading intervention solution and its *PSSA Advantage* and *TerraNova Advantage* programs to increase student basic skills and performance on the PSSA. Kaplan K12’s reading intervention program focuses on building the core literacy skills that students need to increase grade-level performance. The program includes the five key components recommended by the National Reading Academy. Kaplan K12’s *Advantage* programs focus on the core skills that students need to increase their performance on Pennsylvania standards and on critical thinking strategies that students need to close the gap between content knowledge and performance on the PSSA.

RESULTS

At the end of the 2005-06 school year, Imhotep Charter School was listed among the top 10 most improved schools in the Philadelphia region. Students increased their “reading proficient” scores from 17.6% to 37.6% and decreased the “reading below basic” scores from 60.8% to 18.3%.

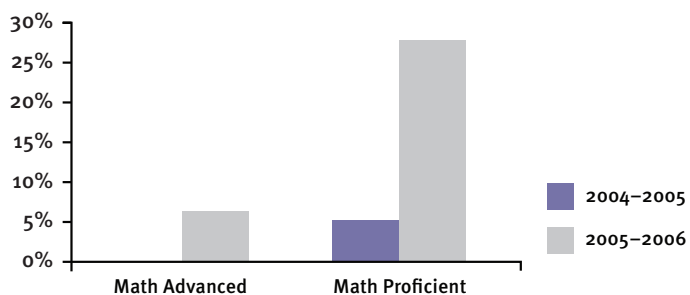
PSSA Reading Results, Grade 11



Students also showed great progress in writing. Their “writing proficient” scores went from 32.7% to 85% and their “writing below basic” scores went from 37.8% to 2%.

Additionally, Imhotep students increased their “math proficient” scores from 5% to 27.5% and decreased the “math below basic” scores from 78% to 47.7%

PSSA Math Results, Grade 11



As a result of increased student performance across reading, writing, and math, Imhotep continued to partner with Kaplan K12 during the 2006-07 school year.

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