CASE STUDY

SmartStart Education High-Impact Tutoring Partnership with P.S. 224 Hale A. Woodruff School, New York

SmartStart EDUCATION

BACKGROUND:

P.S. Hale Woodruff School, located in Brooklyn, New York, contracted with SmartStart Education to deliver High-Impact ELA tutoring for the 2022-2023 school year. SmartStart tutors worked with struggling students in grades K-2 in the subject of ELA.

PROGRAM:

- Intensive one-on-one tutoring help in small group sessions
- Goal setting and communication with classroom teachers
- Curriculum aligned with students' needs
- Consistent tutors to build relationships and better rapport with students
- Convenient sessions offered during the school day to improve participation rate
- In-classroom instruction to provide a safe learning environment
- Bi-weekly progress monitoring

Kindergarten

- **18%** of students increased their word recognition scores, which was **3% higher than the district average** for HIT students.
- SmartStart students scored **100%** on blending sounds to words, **95%** on letter & sound identification and **88%** on phonological awareness.
- SmartStart students increased their oral reading fluency (Words per Minute) by **10%**.

First Grade

- **24%** of students increased their word recognition scores, which was **4% higher than the district average** for HIT students.
- **22%** of students increased their word recognition scores, which was **5% higher than the district average** for HIT students.
- First Grade SmartStart students increased Oral Reading Fluency (Words per Minute) by **25%, which was 4% higher than the district average.**
- SmartStart students scored **100%** on blending sounds to words, **95%** on letter & sound identification and **88%** on sight words.

Second Grade

- **27%** of SmartStart students increased their word recognition scores, which was **3% higher than the district average** for HIT students.
- **18%** of Second Grade SmartStart students increased their word recognition scores, which was **4% higher than the district average** for HIT students.
- SmartStart students scored **100%** on blending sounds to words, **84%** on letter & sound identification and **88%** on sight words.
- SmartStart students increased Oral Reading Fluency (Words per Minute) by **7%**.