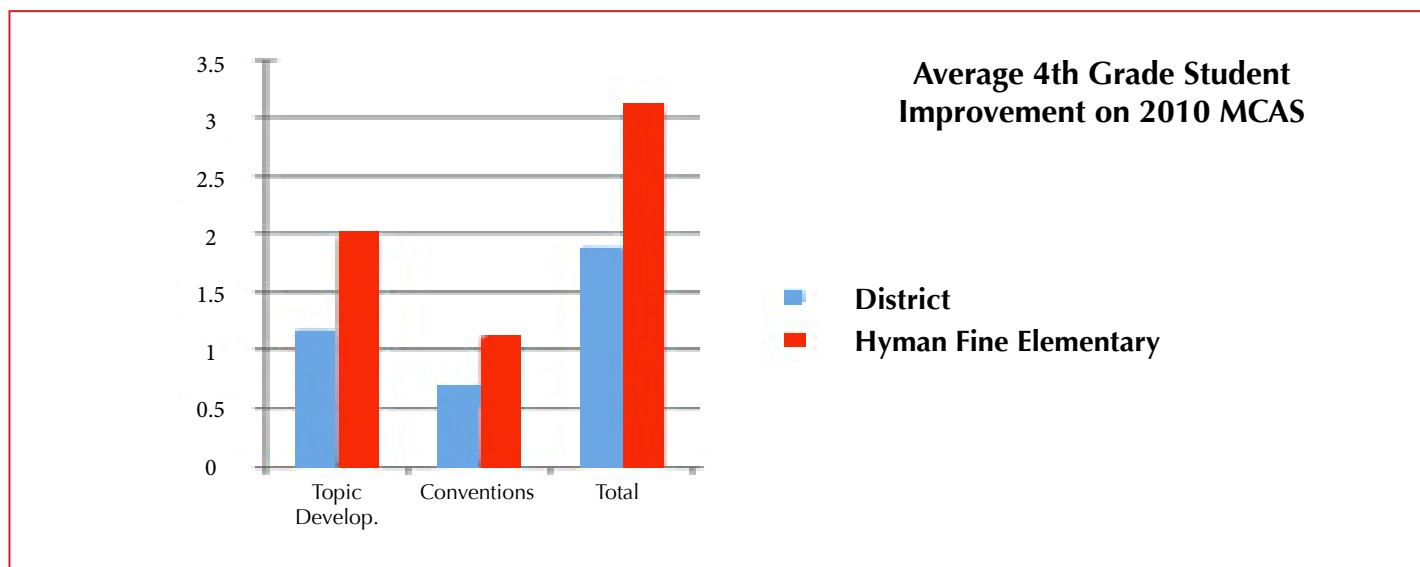


Elementary School Improves State Test Scores by **26%** using Empowering Writers



“This training and methodology has allowed our district to break an 11 year run of stagnant scores!”

- Cathy White, Principal
Hyman Fine Elementary

Background:

- ▶ Enrollment population - 74.6% white, 3% African American, 11.8% Hispanic, 3.7% American Indian, 3.7% multi-racial.
- ▶ 22.4% economically disadvantaged
- ▶ 86 4th grade students tested
- ▶ In the past teachers could use “Write Traits” or “The Collins Writing Program”.
- ▶ Hyman Fine 2009 scores: TD - 6 Con - 6 Total - 12
- ▶ No Attleboro 4th grader scored 20 in the history of the MCAS.

Results after 7 months:

- ▶ Students scoring “proficient” or above increased by **29.6%** from 2009.
- ▶ Students scoring “advanced” increased from **5% to 22%**.
- ▶ **92%** of 4th graders scored between 12-20 on MCAS
- ▶ **51%** of 4th graders scored between 17-20 on MCAS
- ▶ 2 students scored **“20”** and 5 students scored **“19”**
- ▶ Hyman Fine Elementary increased scores **3.13 pts.** vs the rest of the district’s **1.90 pts.**

What do you do when your students are struggling in writing?

Do your teachers have specific writing strategies to correct the weaknesses in their students' writing?

Most writing programs can identify general weaknesses in student writing, but lack the concrete strategies and lessons to foster meaningful improvement.

Empowering Writers' resources pinpoint the deficient skills and provide specific intervention strategies for correcting the weakness.

Empowering Writers' intervention strategies and resources are proven to be the most successful way to improve test scores of struggling writers.

HOW?

Isolate specific skills/specific weakness

Empowering Writers Response to Intervention resource isolates 38 specific skills from 6 general skills area.

Apply intervention strategies to correct weakness

After the weakness is identified, the RTI resource directs teachers to a group of specific strategies and lessons that address the identified weakness.

Monitor progress through writing inventory

The RTI resource enables teachers to assess and chart growth of all 38 skills or just the isolated skills over time.

Make adjustments

We know all students do not learn the same way. The RTI resource provides multiple intervention strategies and lessons for addressing each skill. By monitoring the data, teachers can make the proper adjustments in applying the strategies.

If you would like more information on how Empowering Writers can help improve your struggling writers contact us today.

Embraced by thousands of schools in districts like Charlotte-Mecklenburg in North Carolina, Houston ISD in Texas, and Greenwich Public Schools in Connecticut, Empowering Writers has the most effective methodology for improving student writing.