

RISING READING RATES

# Florida Districts Target Foundational Literacy Skills with Evidence-Based Reading Instruction

For nearly half of Florida school districts, less than 50% of third grade students scored on or above Level 3 on the Spring 2023 FAST assessment.

But with the right state-approved, evidence-based reading resource, students can and will succeed. Educators across Florida are using Lexia® Core5® Reading to improve student literacy skills, even when they don't have a background in teaching reading.

## Florida Pre-K-5 Student Demographics\*



Population: 1,315,522

English Language Learner  
**216,425** (16%)

Students with disabilities  
**214,314** (16%)

Economically disadvantaged  
**712,218** (54%)

4th Grade NAEP Proficient/  
Advanced **39%**

Students using Core5: **186,987** (14%)

Schools using Core5: **496**

\*FLDOE

**87%**

of students who used Core5 with fidelity advanced at least one grade level of material (SY 2022-2023).



When we started using Core5, we immediately saw how effective it was. We found ourselves saying, 'Oh, wow, this is so different—this program really works!'"

— Alexandra Prieto, Principal

### Core5 Checks All the Boxes!

- ✓ Science of reading-based and research-proven
- ✓ B.E.S.T. Standards-aligned for K-2 and 3-5
- ✓ Approved by Florida as Evidence-Based Reading Resource
- ✓ Approved by Florida as Evidence-Based Reading Intervention Resource
- ✓ Benchmarks are not taught in isolation
- ✓ Program texts align with Florida K-5 content topics
- ✓ Proven to accelerate literacy growth across ALL student groups
- ✓ Aligns to Florida state academic standards
- ✓ Eligible for Florida DoE's Evidence-Based Reading Instruction Allocation

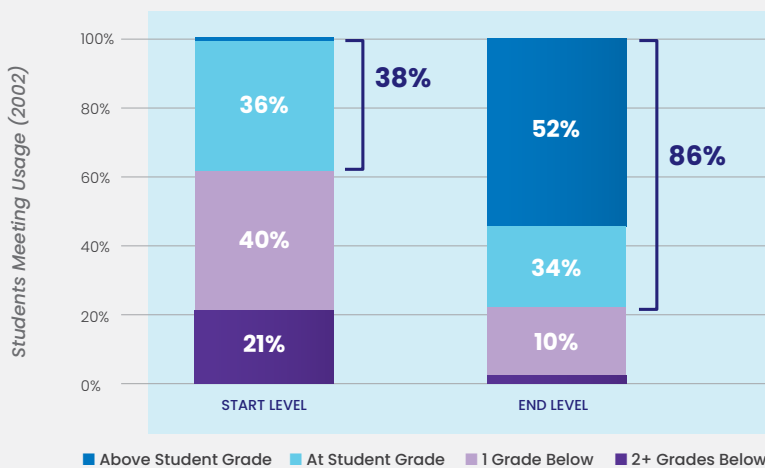


Core5 succeeds because it provides targeted reading activities for students to work through in a fun and interactive way."

— Jessica Largaespada, Teacher

For SY 2022-2023, students\* working at or above grade level in Core5 increased from 38% to 86% by the end of the year.

Progress in Core5 during 2022-2023 for meeting-usage students (N=2002)



Core5 is aligned with B.E.S.T. Standards. Discover how Core5 can help your district see literacy growth.