Advancing Educational Equity With the Science of Reading

As a school administrator, you play a pivotal role in building a resilient, equitable framework for literacy instruction in your school. This tool kit is designed to empower you with strategies and resources that address the challenges and opportunities that come with creating lasting literacy gains for all students. To address widening gaps in opportunity and reading achievement, school leaders like you can take strategic actions to lay the foundation for long-term success, including:

- Equipping educators with the time and tools they need to support holistic student development-academics alone are not enough.
- Implementing literacy instruction grounded in the science of reading and providing teachers with essential resources and training in Structured Literacy.

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When it comes to implementation, school leaders can have a major impact by:

- Cultivating an inclusive, literacy-focused school culture.
- Hiring and assigning teachers intentionally and with consideration of the science of reading.
- Creating a professional environment that attracts and retains top teaching talent.
- Providing teachers with actionable feedback and evaluation to enhance instruction.
- Ensuring safe, supportive, and culturally responsive learning spaces for all students.
- Overseeing the selection and purchase of textbooks and instructional programs.
- Streamlining school schedules to minimize disruptions.
- Leading professional development initiatives that support continued teacher growth and deepen the collective understanding of Structured Literacy.

Your strategic involvement ensures support for educators in delivering high-quality, science-based literacy instruction. It also works directly to address learning gaps and dismantle educational inequities so every student has the opportunity to thrive.

The goal of this tool kit is to help you leverage Lexia's suite of products (Lexia® Core5® Reading, Lexia® PowerUp Literacy®, and Lexia English Language Development[™]) to ensure educators are prepared to meet each student where they are while advancing academic achievement in a tangible and impactful way.

The absence of a Structured Literacy curriculum that is also inclusive presents a significant obstacle to effective teaching, raising concerns among administrators about the quality of education and equity. Recognizing this challenge, your role in actively participating and leading literacy programs becomes indispensable, as you are pivotal in fostering a culture that values educational equity and instructional excellence. The Lexia® suite serves as a foundation for this endeavor. This suite equips you and your teams with:

- Structured Literacy curricula grounded in the science of reading.
- Comprehensive tools to implement robust adaptive literacy programs.
- Culturally relevant content designed to meet the diverse needs of all students.

Through these programs, you can ensure every teacher is supported in delivering highquality literacy instruction, empowering teachers while addressing the critical need for a structured approach to literacy education, equity in instruction, and closing learning gaps.







Elevating Early Literacy With Core 5 Literacy >

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Lexia CORE5 READING

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Core5 is an innovative, evidence-based reading program for pre-K-5 students anchored in the science of reading (SoR). It offers a personalized learning experience that adapts to each student's literacy development. It is supported by a comprehensive suite of tools for teachers to enhance instruction and promote equity in early literacy education.



Foundation in the Science of Reading (SoR):

- Core5 is built on the SoR, offering evidence-based instruction for pre-K-5 students.
- It covers phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension, aligning with SoR principles.
- This ensures a scientifically proven approach to meet the diverse needs of early learners.

Key Components & Instructional Approach:

- Core5 offers personalized learning paths that adapt to each student's performance in literacy skills.
- It ensures instruction meets individual needs, supporting varied development among young learners.
- It creates a nurturing environment, fostering the potential for all students to thrive.

Empowering Teachers With Actionable Insight:

- Core5 provides a suite of tools for teachers, offering actionable insight and detailed reports.
- It empowers educators to effectively tailor instruction for individual and group learning.
- It supports informed instructional strategies, ensuring student success.

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Promoting 5 in Early Literacy:

- Structured Literacy Approach for Diverse Learners:
- Core5's Structured Literacy approach significantly benefits Emergent Bilingual first and second grade students, substantially improving standardized reading scores and effectively narrowing the performance gap with peers.
- Inclusive Educational Opportunities:
- It is designed to ensure every child, regardless of background or learning challenges, has access to high-quality literacy education. Core5 meets students where they are and elevates them to their potential, supporting equitable academic success.
- Equity Embedded in Instructional Design:
- By integrating equity principles into its instructional framework, Core5 fosters an inclusive learning environment by effectively and compassionately addressing students' diverse needs and positioning literacy as the cornerstone of learning.

Supporting Administrative Goals

1. Establishing a Vision and Mission for School Community Success:

- Foundation in SoR: Core5 aligns with creating a non-negotiable success mission for all students.
- **Comprehensive Approach:** Offers evidence-based instruction in all key literacy areas to meet diverse student needs.

2. Improvement of Instructional Practice:

- Teacher Empowerment: Core5 provides actionable insight and detailed reports for tailored instruction.
- Professional Development: Enhances teacher effectiveness with tools for informed instructional strategies.

3. Creating a Culture of Results-Focused Learning:

- Personalized Learning Paths: Fosters an environment where every student can thrive.
- Valuing Diversity: Supports a learning culture focused on high performance and respect for all.

4. Leading an Equity Agenda:

- Inclusive Educational Opportunities: Integrates equity principles into its instructional design.
- Structured Literacy Approach: Ensures access to high-quality literacy education for all students, particularly addressing the needs of diverse learners.

Growing Literacy Through Lexia PowerUp Literacy >

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Lexia PONERUP LITERACY

Growing Literacy Through Lexia PowerUp Literacy: A Strategic Approach to Secondary Education

PowerUp focuses on secondary education. It leverages the SoR to enhance literacy skills among older students. It employs a research-based, personalized approach that integrates key literacy components. Designed to meet the unique needs of adolescents, PowerUp promotes engagement, comprehension, and academic success for educators through adaptive learning paths and realtime data.



Foundation in the Science of Reading (SoR):

PowerUp integrates SoR principles, enhancing literacy for older students through phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. This evidence-based approach effectively addresses literacy challenges in adolescents.

Key Components & Instructional Approach:

- Features adaptive learning paths tailored to individual student needs, emphasizing word study, grammar, and comprehension.
- Promotes student engagement and autonomy, enabling a confident educational journey.

Empowering Teachers With Real-Time Data:

- Provides teachers with real-time data and resources to guide instruction and support students struggling with reading.
- Allows for adaptive teaching strategies, ensuring personalized support for each student.

Promoting Equity in Literacy Education:

- Designed for Diverse Student Populations:
- PowerUp addresses the literacy needs of students with interrupted learning or varying proficiency levels.
- Inclusive, Culturally Responsive Learning Environment:
- PowerUp emphasizes personalized learning paths that adapt to each student's performance, making education relevant and accessible across cultural and linguistic backgrounds.
- It incorporates culturally responsive teaching to value diversity, enhancing student engagement and self-esteem.
- Closing Literacy Gaps:
- PowerUp demonstrates effectiveness in narrowing literacy gaps through adaptive, differentiated instruction.
- It offers explicit, Structured Literacy instruction in key reading components, ensuring resources and support for literacy proficiency, particularly for traditionally underserved students.
- Commitment to Equity:
- It aligns with rigorous evidence and equity standards, qualifying for federal funds to address learning disparities.



Supporting Administrative Goals

1. Improvement of Instructional Practice:

- Research-Based Approach: Integrates key literacy components for a personalized learning experience.
- **Teacher Support:** Offers real-time data and resources, enabling tailored instruction for each student's needs.

2. Leading an Equity Agenda:

- Diverse Student Populations: Designed to address the needs of students with varying literacy levels and backgrounds.
- Culturally Responsive Environment: Commits to inclusivity and personalizing education, ensuring access to quality literacy education for traditionally underserved students.

3. Creating a Culture of Results-Focused Learning:

- Student Engagement and Autonomy: Emphasizes comprehension and self-directed learning to foster academic success.
- Shared Literacy Achievement Goal: Builds a supportive school culture that values diversity and prioritizes student success.

4. Community Engagement and Partnership:

- Inclusivity and Responsiveness: Suggests potential for stronger family and community involvement in literacy development.
- Leveraging Community Resources: Enhances literacy instruction by incorporating diverse perspectives and resources.

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Lexia LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

Lexia English Language Development: Embracing Diversity and Fostering Equity



Foundation in the Science of Reading (SoR):

• Lexia English provides a structured, evidence-based literacy curriculum built on the SoR principles.

• It supports Emergent Bilingual students by focusing on phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension, fostering proficiency and confidence.

Adaptive Learning and Instructional Approach:

- Utilizes an Adaptive Blended Learning model emphasizing speaking and listening skills within academic content.
- Incorporates interactive exercises and grammar instruction, supported by embedded assessment and progress monitoring, to ensure personalized, practical learning.

Empowering Educators:

- Equips teachers with real-time data and instructional resources, enabling targeted support for Emergent Bilinguals.
- Facilitates monitoring of language proficiency and instructional guidance, enhancing teachers' roles in students' language development.



Promoting Equity in Literacy Education:

- Cultural Responsiveness in Curriculum:
- Lexia English utilizes SoR strategies, presenting a curriculum that mirrors the diversity of its learners.
- It features culturally diverse characters and scenarios, making all students feel recognized and appreciated and enabling them to see their cultures and experiences reflected in their learning.
- Celebrating Heritage and Language:
- The program emphasizes the importance of learners' heritage and languages, integrating stories and content that resonate across diverse backgrounds. This approach boosts engagement and fosters a sense of belonging and self-worth, acknowledging each student's unique contributions.

• Equitable Access to Education:

- Committed to equity, Lexia English ensures Emergent Bilingual students can access high-quality literacy instruction tailored to their needs.
- Its Adaptive Blended Learning model focuses on critical speaking and listening skills, supported by scaffolding and feedback for teachers, to effectively meet the diverse needs of Emergent Bilinguals.

Supporting Administrative Goals

1.Improvement of Instructional Practice:

- Adaptive Blended Learning
 Model: Focuses on speaking and listening within academic content.
- Educator Empowerment: Provides real-time data and resources for targeted support of Emergent Bilinguals.

2. Leading an Equity Agenda:

- Cultural Responsiveness:
 Celebrates heritage and language,
 ensuring inclusive literacy
 education.
- Inclusivity and Belonging: Incorporates diverse stories and content, recognizing student contributions.

3. Creating a Culture of Results-Focused Learning:

- High-QualityLiteracy Instruction: Tailors teaching to Emergent Bilingual student needs.
- Scaffolding and Feedback: Supports educators in meeting diverse learning needs, aiming for literacy proficiency for all.

4. Community Engagement and Partnership:

- Enhancing Community Ties: Utilizes the celebration of heritage and languages to connect families and communities with the educational process.
- Culturally Responsive Support: Encourages involvement in literacy development, enriching the learning experience.

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Advancing Educational Equity: The Unifying Mission of the Lexia Suite

As a school administrator, you play an integral role in weaving educational equity into the fabric of your school's literacy program. The Lexia suite embodies this mission, offering tailored literacy support that is both inclusive and effective. It equips you with tools like Core5, PowerUp, and Lexia English—solutions grounded firmly in the science of reading—to enrich your curriculum, ensuring every student has access to quality literacy instruction. Your leadership in adopting these resources reflects a commitment to nurturing a learning environment where diversity is celebrated and every student has a pathway to succeed, and represents the first step toward achieving lasting literacy gains and educational equity at your school.





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