

## K-12 Case Study 6: Mott Elementary, Trenton, NJ

**The School:** A highly diverse K-5 school in an urban area with average annual

enrollments of 375-425 students. Most students came from

households below the poverty level.

## **School Improvement Interventions**

- Balanced Curriculum to improve content and quality (paper-based approach)
- School Development program to improve leadership and management

## **Curriculum Redesign Process**

- Test Subject: Reading/Language Arts
- Implementation
  - o Redesign during 1999-2000 school year
  - o Implementation during 2000-2001 school year
  - Implementation by a full-time coordinator working in close collaboration with the principal

## **Results**

- Before implementation 24% of students passed the New Jersey ESPA the 4<sup>th</sup> grade progress assessment test
- After implementation, <u>75% of students passed the test</u>

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