



### Laurens County Schools



Seeing Stars for Phonemic Awareness, Reading, and Spelling (SI)

#### PROFILE: East Laurens Middle School Students

Number of Students: 22

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: 9

7<sup>th</sup> Grade: 6

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 7

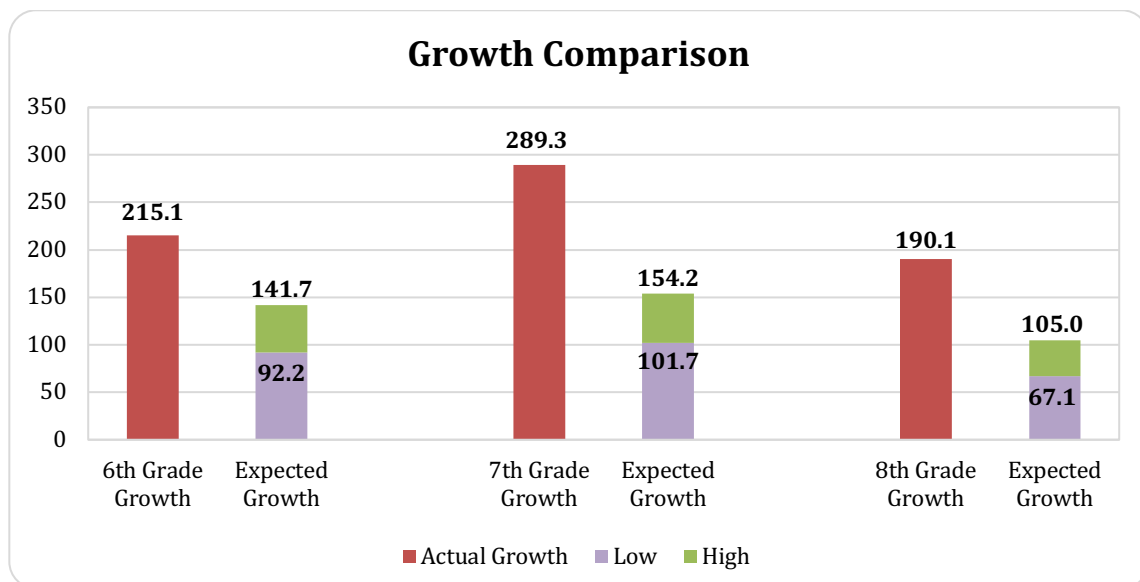
Period of Instruction: 1 semester

Program Implemented: Seeing Stars®

Outcome Measure: Reading Inventory

#### BACKGROUND

East Laurens Middle School in Laurens County, Georgia, serves a large percentage of students who are at-risk of reading failure. During the 2019-20 school year, East Laurens Middle School implemented Lindamood-Bell® instruction to address the specific needs of this student population. 22 students received 1 semester of small-group Seeing Stars instruction to develop symbol imagery for reading. Instruction was delivered by East Laurens Middle School teachers who received professional development in the programs created by Lindamood-Bell's founders. Student gains were measured with Reading Inventory.



#### RESULTS

On average, Seeing Stars students achieved significant improvements in reading. Their actual growth exceeded their expected growth at each grade level. The results of this study illustrate that Lindamood-Bell instruction in the Seeing Stars program leads to improved reading, which is essential to achieving success with school curricula.