# Director of Literacy Services

# Memo

**To:** Board of Education

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Re: Proposed 2012 Jump Start Intervention Summer Program

## 2012 Jump Start Intervention Summer Program

## **Purpose and Goal**

This year we targeted students who were at the strategic level and needed an extra push to achieve the benchmark level or higher. The focus will be on comprehension strategies and the Writer's Workshop. There will be an extra effort to increase students' comprehension ability using the Fab 4 strategies - Predict, Question, Clarify & Summarize.

#### **Professional Development**

Dr. Karen Wrenn-Walker will provide professional development for this program, which will focus on the Reciprocal Teaching Strategy (Fab: 4) Predict, Question, Clarify and Summarize, along with other Reading Strategies for K-2 students. Writer's Workshop activities will be introduced as well. Lastly, teachers will bring some of their own material.

#### **Home-Connection**

Students will take books home each night to read with their parents. They will all participate in the 25 Readers Book Club. (All students' goals will be to read about 25 books during the three—week period.) Posters will be placed outside each classroom to document and showcase their progress.

More information will follow at the conclusion of the Jump Start Intervention Summer Program.