

Charter Schools and the Institute of Reading Development

Meeting Charter Schools' Needs Through Engaging Literacy Programs



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SCHOOL PROGRAMS



Developed in partnership with over 200 universities nationwide

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How IRD Responds to Charter School Needs



Teacher Shortages

IRD provides highly trained, engaging instructors who are specialized in literacy instruction. In addition to their weekly live online class, students can access one-on-one live support from the IRD teaching staff, who can help instruct and assist with any ELA or writing assignments.



Social-Emotional Learning

When SEL programming is implemented well, academic achievement and student well-being increase. IRD programs provide opportunities for students to express themselves, learn empathy for others, and encourage positive behaviors in the classroom. Better test scores have resulted from SEL-based programs.

Achievement Gaps

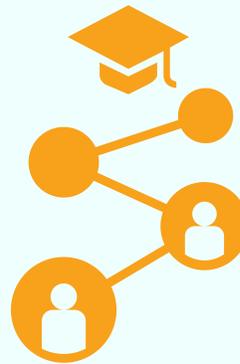
For six weeks, students engage in weekly live instruction, engage in book discussions, and practice valuable reading, writing, and comprehension skills. Students also complete interactive lessons between classes that build confidence and grade-level skills.

The IRD research-based curriculum has been successfully used by over 3 million students nationwide and undergoes continuous evidence-based, best-practice development.



Creating Connections

In addition to the in-class experience, IRD provides behind-the-scenes support that includes customized outreach to students and parents to boost enrollment and ongoing participation, assistance with program implementation, dedicated technical support, and post-session reporting.



Reducing Summer Slide

Students who participate in IRD summer programs not only see academic gains over the summer months, but their relative gains compared to students who experience the normal "Summer Slide" are truly remarkable. Programs providing research-based literacy instruction are the most effective at raising comprehension, fluency and decoding scores.



World-Class Experience

Over 250 Universities and Colleges utilize our programs to improve student academic outcomes in their communities. These trusted institutions have valued our reading, writing, and tutoring programs for over 53 years.



IRD Reading & Writing Skills Program

A flexible skills program that delivers engaging reading and writing instruction to address achievement gaps.

The IRD Reading & Writing Skills Program can help reduce anxiety, help students find their voice, build trusting relationships, and address educational issues.



IRD PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Engaging Instruction

Students attend a weekly online class where they participate in lively discussions and practice valuable reading, writing, and comprehension skills.

Flexible Schedules

Sessions are offered throughout the calendar year, including summer break. Therefore, we have the flexibility to accommodate charter schools' unique needs.

Instructors Provided

Small group classes are facilitated by a highly-trained IRD instructor. One-on-one ELA support is also available on demand throughout the week.

3+ Hours of Extended Learning

Our classes offer at least 3 hours of extended learning each week.

Learn more

"The IRD program gave us the opportunity to offer our scholars additional academic support...the program was well organized and IRD communicated frequently and effectively.."

~L. Smith
Dean of Instruction
Momentum Academy-Fox Park

Why charter schools have turned to IRD for supplemental programming:

- We bring unmatched literacy expertise.
- Over the last 52 years, our program has helped more than 3 million students.
- We provide charter schools with highly trained teachers specializing in literacy instruction.
- Our flexibility means charter schools can implement programs any time of the year, before, during, or after school hours.
- Our ESSA compliance means students are getting the research-based instruction that works.
- We have partnered with over 200 universities nationwide to help students become stronger readers and writers.



"My favorite part of the IRD program is the amount of work they take off the plates of our staff and teachers"

~N. Lammert
Director of Federal Programs
Momentum Academy

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