



The Rocketship, CA, Elementary ELA HDT Program

Total students served in 2023-2024: 293 across 2 PLI study schools

OVERVIEW: In-person ELA tutoring was provided to students during their “Learning Lab” intervention period. Tutors used Really Great Reading materials to provide instruction to students in groups of 4.

AMOUNT OF TUTORING: Students were intended to receive about 120 minutes of tutoring per week. On average, they received about 23 hours over the school year, 67 percent of the intended amount.

COST: Thirty weeks of the program are estimated to cost \$2,910 per student, including all program resources, not limited to vendor fees.

UNIQUE FEATURES:

- Rocketship worked with the Bay Area Tutoring Association (BATA) to recruit, hire, and train tutors working in Rocketship schools. A staff member from BATA and one from Rocketship’s central office oversaw the program and supported the tutors during the school year.
- Tutoring took place during schools’ dedicated “Learning Lab” time when students in each grade (multiple classes) work in a large space, rotating through different intervention and instructional activities including their tutoring sessions..

PROGRAM AS DESIGNED			PROGRAM AS IMPLEMENTED	
The intended program design articulated by school systems and the study team before the program launched			Findings on how the program was actually delivered in PLI study schools in 2023-2024	
Student-to-tutor ratio	Max number of students per group	4	Number of students typically assigned to groups	4
Amount of tutoring	Designed minutes per session	30	Typically offered minutes per session	30
	Designed sessions per week	4	Offered sessions per week	4
	Span in which the program was expected to occur	Jan.-May	Actual span in which the program was offered	Jan.-May (16 weeks)
	Designed number of sessions per year	68	Average number of sessions students received	45
	Designed minutes of tutoring per year	2,040	Average number of minutes each student received	1,359

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Setting	Designed time during the school day for tutoring	Learning Lab	When in the school day tutoring was typically scheduled	Learning Lab
	Designed to be in person or virtual	In person	Offered in person or virtually	In person
	Designed classroom format	Push-in to the school's Learning Lab space	Implemented classroom format	Push-in to the school's Learning Lab space
Materials	Designed integration of a computer-assisted learning platform	None	Offered integration of a computer-assisted learning platform	None
	Designed instructional materials	Really Great Reading	Offered instructional materials	Really Great Reading and school-provided materials
Tutor staffing	Designed tutor workforce strategy	BATA-recruited tutors with a bachelor's degree or current college students	Implemented tutor workforce details	59% of tutors reported having a BA or above and 53% reported 2 or more years of experience in education. Tutors reported receiving 20 hours of training.
			30-week cost as offered, per student	\$2,910

SOURCES: 2023-2024 school year interviews with school coordinators, surveys of tutors and coordinators, administrative data on enrollment and attendance, site visit and observation notes, program documents, and interviews with study site teams. Costs are in 2023 USD.