

BIRCH Fall Progress Report on Equity Goal

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School SMART Goal: Equity

Equity: Boys' will increase writing scores as measure by:

- Increase CSAP Writing 10 WI points (from 87 to 97) over the next 3 years and by 3WI (87 to 90) points by the end of the 2008-2009 school year.
- Two Year Matched Cohort Male Group will show more growth
3rd grade WI 88 2006; 4th WI 82 2007
NOTE: District loss was 1 WI point; Birch loss 5 WI points)
- Two year Matched cohort group males between 4th and 5th WI gain score will increase by one point a year until it reaches the district score gain of 10.
2006 4th graders WI 75; 2007 5th graders WI 83

What evidence do you have in the short-term to show progress on your school goals?

- Began to create resource bank of pictures for writing prompts.
- SIT committee is gathering a list of male writing role models to be used in the school this year.
- Professional development day (10/12/07) focused on mapping and preparing to align writing curriculum at each grade level. This work will be used at future staff development (1/7/08) to articulate instruction across grade levels.

What questions are guiding your next steps?

- How often do we want to formally assess writing progress?
- How often do we want to informally assess writing progress?
- Should we use the formal writing assessment to monitor boys progress?
- How are we going to align our writing?
- What writing programs are we going to use to help align writing instruction?
- If we are going to monitor K-5, how are we going to do that?
- When will we be able to meet to discuss writing programs and alignment?