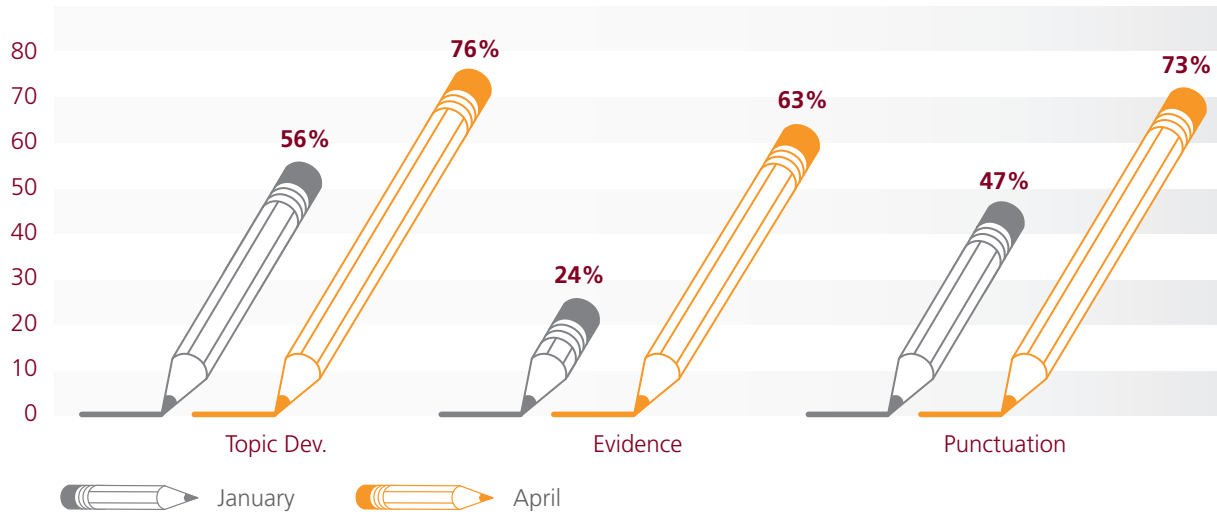


Answering your question, “It makes sense in principle, but does it work?”

Impact: WEX™ Boosts Writing Skills in Springfield, MA

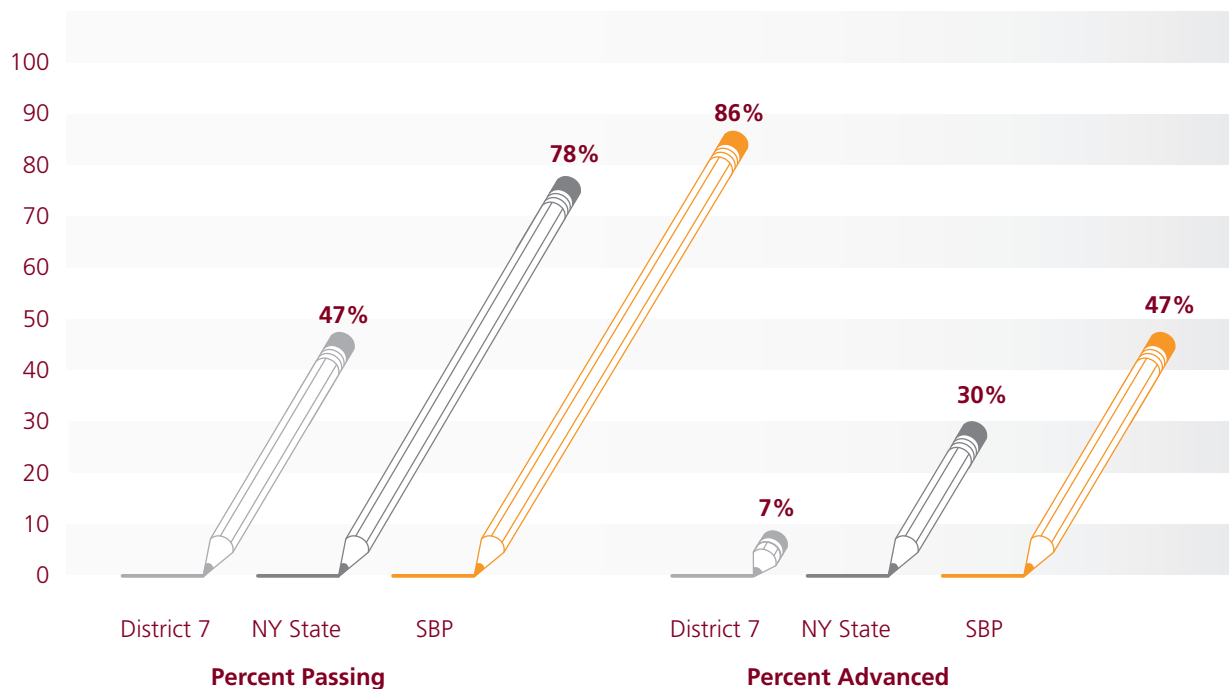
% of Students at or Above Proficient by Skill (based on pre and post tests)



Lasting Transformation: WEX Prepares NYC Students for College

Performance on NY State Regents Exam

South Bronx Prep Class of 2008 as high school juniors compared to district and state



Rigor at its Highest Level: Ongoing Research

The Education Development Center, Inc. (EDC) was awarded a 4-year, multi-million dollar grant by the U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences (IES) to evaluate the efficacy of WEX in a randomized trial, the gold standard of educational research. IES awarded the grant based on the rigor of the proposed research methodology and compelling WEX results to date. WEX is the only writing program in the country currently being studied with an IES grant.

WEX: Results based on a strong research pedigree

1990-94 Classroom Teaching

A group of teachers discovers that they are each facing an opportunity and a problem: they have noticed the power of writing, but despite studying the research and working alongside veteran teachers in elementary, middle and high schools, they have no reliable system for reaching each and every student.

Summer, 1994 The Experiment Begins

The questions:

1. Which skills do students need to master in order to write powerfully and clearly?
2. Which habits and routines can teachers establish that will drive the greatest progress in their students' writing?

1994- 2002 Patterns Emerge

During WEX summer and after-school programs, investigating teachers look at student work 2x/day and spot patterns. All students, both high achieving and struggling, thrive on Deliberate Practice: setting specific goals, getting immediate feedback, and concentrating as much on process as on product.

2002-06 Answers Tested

WEX initiates formal teacher training and curriculum development process. Teachers thrive with just the right combination of structure and room to personalize. Student results are immediate and lasting in schools in Boston, New York, and San Francisco.

2006-09 Curriculum and PD Formalized and Released

Results are so powerful that Educational Development Corporation (EDC) wins coveted multi-million dollar Institute of Educational Studies (IES) grant to study efficacy of WEX. WEX merges with Wireless Generation amid intensifying demand for WEX curriculum and professional development.

The Writers' Express Mission

We have met thousands of students who struggle daily to bridge the gap separating them from their peer community as a result of their literacy challenges. We're dedicated to developing these students into confident, highly effective writers and critical thinkers, by amplifying teachers' capacity to deliver feedback that motivates and instruction that meets each student where he or she is.

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