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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The Orange County Math Initiative is a community partnership to help schools and teachers elevate student math skills through the utilization of the *ST Math*® Program.

OBJECTIVE: By linking corporate, foundation and individual philanthropic partners, local education agencies and the MIND Research Institute, the Math Initiative is designed to significantly raise math scores, particularly in schools with historically low achievement levels.

2010/11 RESULTS SUMMARY

10 schools representing 6 districts utilized *ST Math*® in 2010/11 as part of the Orange County Math Initiative, with grants for software licenses supported by MIND Research Institute through philanthropy. All students received licenses for the *ST Math*® software, used by both students and teachers to impart a visual, conceptual understanding of California's grade level math standards. Altogether this represented 1,568 students.

In 2010/11, schools implementing *ST Math* during their first year experienced **over twice more growth in math proficiency levels.**

OVERALL FUNDING COMMITMENT: The Orange County Math Initiative represents a 5 year community investment of \$5.9 million. Fundraising efforts will continue until we meet the goal.

FUNDS RAISED-TO-DATE: \$4 million

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ABOUT MIND's ORANGE COUNTY MATH INITIATIVE

The Orange County Math Initiative launched in 2008 with 70 schools, 42,082 students and 1,561 teachers. In year two, Cohort 2, we added 24 additional schools, 10,022 students and 390 teachers. In the third year, Cohort 3, we added 14 more schools, 2,625 students and 259 teachers for a total of 108 schools and reaching over 61,000 Orange County students. These schools were among the lowest performing 142 schools in the county and represented 14 school districts. Participating principals attended a half-day Principals Institute, which is designed to support administrators in the powerful implementation of the *ST Math* program. Over 2,600 teachers attended a full-day Introduction to *ST Math* professional development session to learn about the research behind the program, best practices to maximize program implementation and how to make connections between classroom learning and the *ST Math* software. Teachers were offered on going follow up and coaching in professional development and attended the Annual Symposium.

Through the Orange County Math Initiative, MIND and its partners in the community have invested in the future of the county's economy and business communities, and a better future for the youth of Orange County.

FUNDING PARTNERS

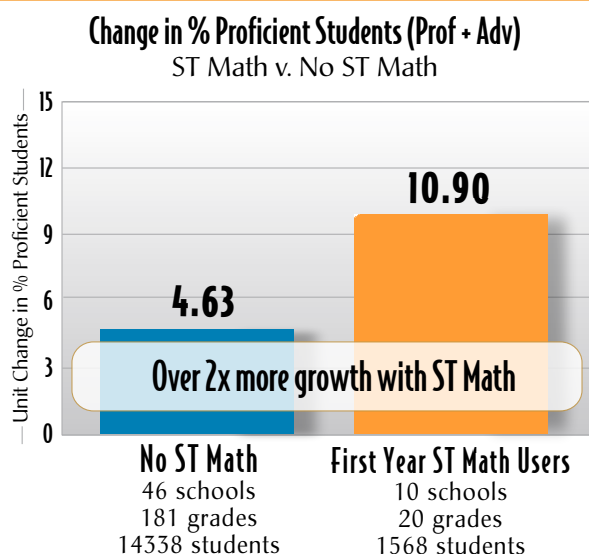
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