## A2i brings actionable literacy data to after school



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Read Charlotte has tracked the research behind A2i, a platform developed to help educators individualize reading instruction, for nearly five years. We think it holds great promise to improve early literacy outcomes in Charlotte-Mecklenburg. But don't just take our word for it. Here's how MDRC, a national research and evaluation organization, described A2i in March 2019:

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"This intervention has strong evidence of efficacy based on randomized controlled trials and quasi-experiments conducted since 2005 in 28 schools in Florida and Arizona. These studies repeatedly demonstrated that schools using A2i can accelerate gains in literacy during the crucial early elementary grades for all students, including high-need students, children living in poverty, English learners, and children receiving special education services."

After working with Learning Ovations, the company behind the tool, to bring the power of A2i to Mecklenburg County with Reading Checkup, we began to think about another unfilled need that A2i was adaptable enough to meet: literacy instruction in out-of-school settings. That led to the development of A2i After School, which is now being used to serve more than 800 students locally.

Read the full story here on how A2i After School came to be.





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