

# LETRS Legislation Enhances District's Core5 Literacy Success

**CHALLENGE:** Ensuring a shift to the science of reading is sustainable.

**SOLUTION:** Lexia® LETRS® Professional Learning

Jason Griffin, executive director of elementary and federal programs for Craven County Schools, shares how LETRS is helping his teachers improve their current implementation.

“All the work we’ve done with [Lexia] LETRS, also ties in with Core5. ... when we added LETRS, **it was like lightbulbs went off. Teachers see all the connections.** Lexia® has done a really good job, specifically Core5, with the correlation of all the different skills, and how that ties into LETRS.

We were part of the earlier cohorts through the state, and now we’re doing cohorts for [Lexia®] LETRS® for Early Childhood Educators and [Lexia®] LETRS® for Administrators. We’ve got a sustainability plan with that, that’s also going to help with the work we’re doing with Core5.”

## Real World Success

Educators throughout North Carolina are seeing year-over-year literacy growth, including those at Craven County Schools, with the district recently returning to pre-COVID numbers.

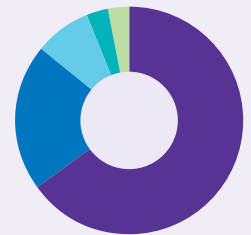
“Even before completing the two-year LETRS course, teachers would start to see their data shift. We saw that at a state level. Kids were performing better,” said Catherine Truitt, former North Carolina State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

With LETRS-trained teachers, **80%** of students in Craven County Schools were working at or above grade level in Core5 by the end of the 2022–2023 school year, regardless of program usage.

## District Spotlight: Craven County Schools

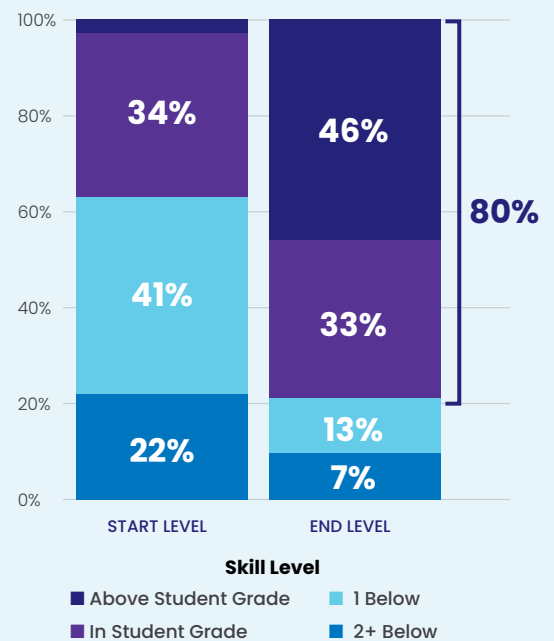
- 12,755 pre-K–12 Students
- English Language Learner: 12.1%
- Students with Disabilities: 6.1%
- Economically disadvantaged: 30.8%

- 65% White
- 21% Black
- 8% Hispanic
- 3% Asian
- 3% Two or more races



Source: [USNews](#)

## Craven County Schools: All Student Progress in Core5



2022–2023 school year, n=5822