Students in Calcasieu Parish Schools Louisiana realized math gains of up to 66.7% (pre-test versus post test scores) utilizing Ascend Math. Calcasieu Parish schools selected Ascend Math to serve Tier III students in all high schools because it met the following criteria.

- Identified skill gaps
- Targeted individual weaknesses
- Offered remediation instruction
- Provided summative assessments
- Mapped to Louisiana Standards
- Affordable
- Correlated with course requirements
- A computer program that would interest students with and without cognitive disabilities
- A program that allowed students to test out of material they know so that they could maximize time working on the material they needed
- Teaches 16-19 year olds 5th grade material or lower without losing them
- Accessible from school and from home
- Offered a consistent approach to serving Special Ed Students in 9 high schools.
- Offered consistent reporting of student progress in all high schools.

Calcasieu Parish’s mission statement is to provide a quality education for all students. Their goals are to achieve high academic performance, ensure stakeholder satisfaction and to create a safe and productive environment. So when they were faced with a large percentage of students that were totally unprepared for the rigorous math curriculum offered in high school, they knew they needed to find a solution. This problem also extended to large groups of students who struggled in their Algebra I and II, as well as Geometry courses. The failure rate in these subjects escalated to well over 75% in any given six week period.

During the 2009-2010 fall semester, Calcasieu administrators implemented Ascend as part of their Tier III Supplemental Resource initiatives. Pre-assessments in the Ascend program identified many students working several grade levels below their assigned grade.

As a result of Ascend’s individualized learning plans and differentiated instruction, teachers were pleased with their students’ impressive gains and Algebra I scores improved significantly.

“*I have seen tremendous growth in math reinforcement in my students using Ascend Math...Ascend is a definite asset to my and any classroom.*”

Kim Wimberley, Teacher, Sulphur High School
Helping Calcasieu Parish Schools ASCEND

Like many of the schools using Ascend, Calcasieu Parish Schools appreciated The Ascend® Math Solution's ability to statistically improve math scores and:

- Diagnose students’ deficiencies and strengths;
- Prescribe targeted instruction;
- Assign instruction and practice using proven lessons;
- Deliver post-instruction testing;
- Adjust learning paths with formative assessments;
- Generate student reports by individual, class and school data;
- Address state, federal and NCLB accountability requirements.

Sample of 100 of the 800 students who utilized Ascend Math achieved the following results:

- Of those records, 87% passed the coursework.
- Of the 13% that did not pass the course, 67% qualified to participate in Credit Recovery to complete the courses.

Can we help you?

For an online, interactive demo & information about our free preview program, please visit www.ascendmath.com or call us toll free at (877) 843-0277