Crisp County Schools, GA district wide implementation began with their Middle School. There were a significant number of middle school students with poor math skills. Each year these students fell further behind in math. Ascend Math was chosen to address this problem.

### At a Glance

- 930 students
- 78% Free and Reduced Lunch
- 112 students identified for math intervention
- History of high dropout rate as students moved to high school

# The Challenge

Crisp County Middle School searched for a program to help meet the needs of middle school students who consistently failed the CRCT (Criterion Referenced Competency Tests) Georgia math state assessment. The school district's studies show these are the same students who struggle with high school math coursework and eventually drop out of high school. Crisp County chose Ascend Math to turn this trend around quickly.



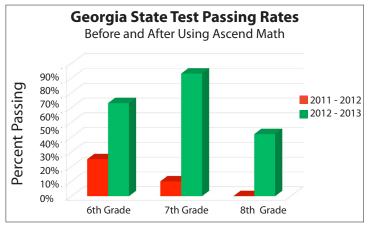
Crisp County Middle School was honored as the 2013 Ascend Math Exceptional First Year Implementation. Teacher Kim Gunnels accepts the award.

#### Goals

- Have all middle school students pass the GA State Assessment (CRCT).
- Have students master grade level content before leaving the middle school.
- Provide a structured math intervention that gives teachers the support they need to meet the needs of individual students.

### Results

Of the students using Ascend, 41% grew 2 or more grade levels and 45 reached their grade level. Collectively, the students in Crisp Middle completed 3,849 hours working in the program.

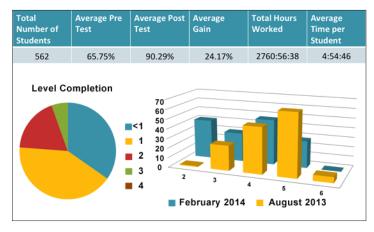


- 64% passed the CRCT (Georgia State Test) with a score in the Level 2 range.
- Passing rates for 6th graders improved from 25% to 63%
- Passing rates for 7th graders improved from 10% to 83%
- Passing rates for 8th graders improved from 0% to 42%

All of the students that did not score a passing grade on the CRCT have gained grade levels in the Ascend Program.



Crisp County Middle School continues to use Ascend to accelerate student gains. Today, Ascend Math is being used in both elementary schools as well. Crisp County High School also offers Ascend Math to all incoming 9th graders through math support.



# Success Spreads to Elementary School

Following the first year's success at Crisp County Middle School, Ascend Math was added to their main feeder schools. Now these elementary schools are achieving dramatic success of their own.

AC Clark Elementary first 6 months results:

- 65% of students achieved 1 grade level or more
- 24% achieved 2 grade levels or more
- 8 students achieved 3 grade levels or more

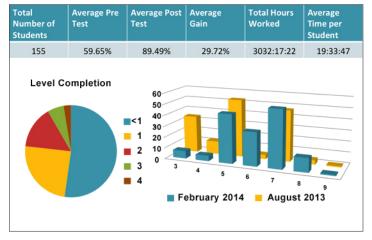
### Middle School Students Continue to Do Well

Crisp County Middle School continues to use Ascend to accelerate student gains. Following their first year dramatic gains middle school students continue to make significant additional gains.

#### In six months:

- Students mastered 5761 objectives
- 42% gained an additional grade level or more
- 12% gained 2 grade levels or more

Total Number of Students	Average Pre Test	Average Post Test	Average Gain	Total Hours Worked	Average Time per Student
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## Improvement at the High School Level

The dropout rate at the district high school has been very high in large part due to the students' inability to handle their Algebra requirements. Ascend was first used in the middle school but quickly moved to the high school to reverse this trend.

The first six months of the school year:

- Students completed 6,799 hours on Ascend Math
- Averaged 44 objectives per student
- 48% gained 1 grade level or more
- 23% gained 2-4 grade levels



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