

## CASE STUDY

# Students develop critical foundational skills for fluency with WordFlight



*Students who used WordFlight became more confident readers—and improved their state reading scores*

## Challenge

Roosevelt Creative Corridor Business Academy (RCCBA), a Title 1 middle school, had a persistent problem: Too many grades 6-8 students were not reading at grade level. Struggling adolescent readers often lack phonemic awareness, phonics, decoding, and automatic word recognition—a critical but often overlooked precursor of fluency.

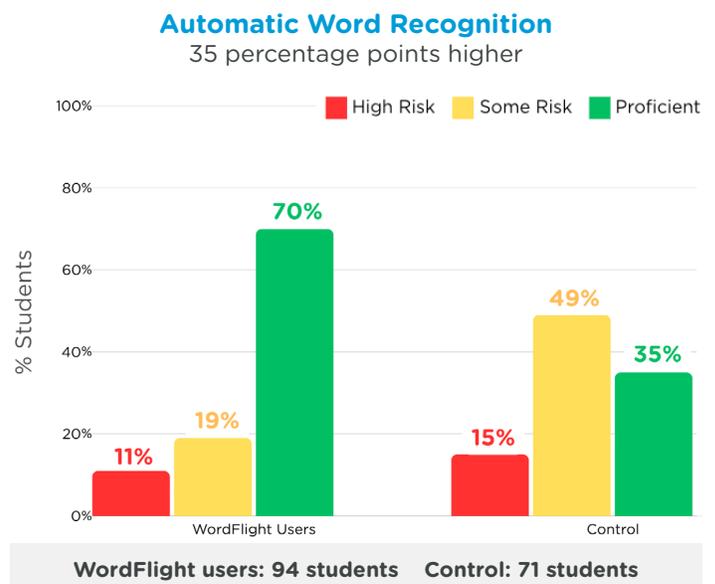
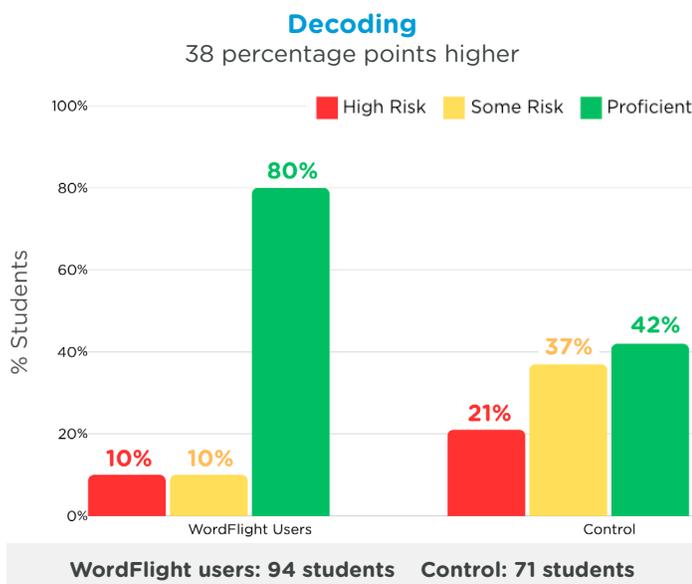
## Solution

For the 2022-2023 school year, RCCBA used WordFlight, a literacy assessment and intervention solution for students in grades 3-8 who have not achieved reading fluency and comprehension because of deficits in their foundational skills, with 6th and 7th graders.

Students used the WordFlight online Instructional Program 20 minutes per day, four to five days per week, to build their decoding and automatic word recognition skills.

## Results

At the end of the year, students who used WordFlight out-performed the control group in two key foundational reading skills:



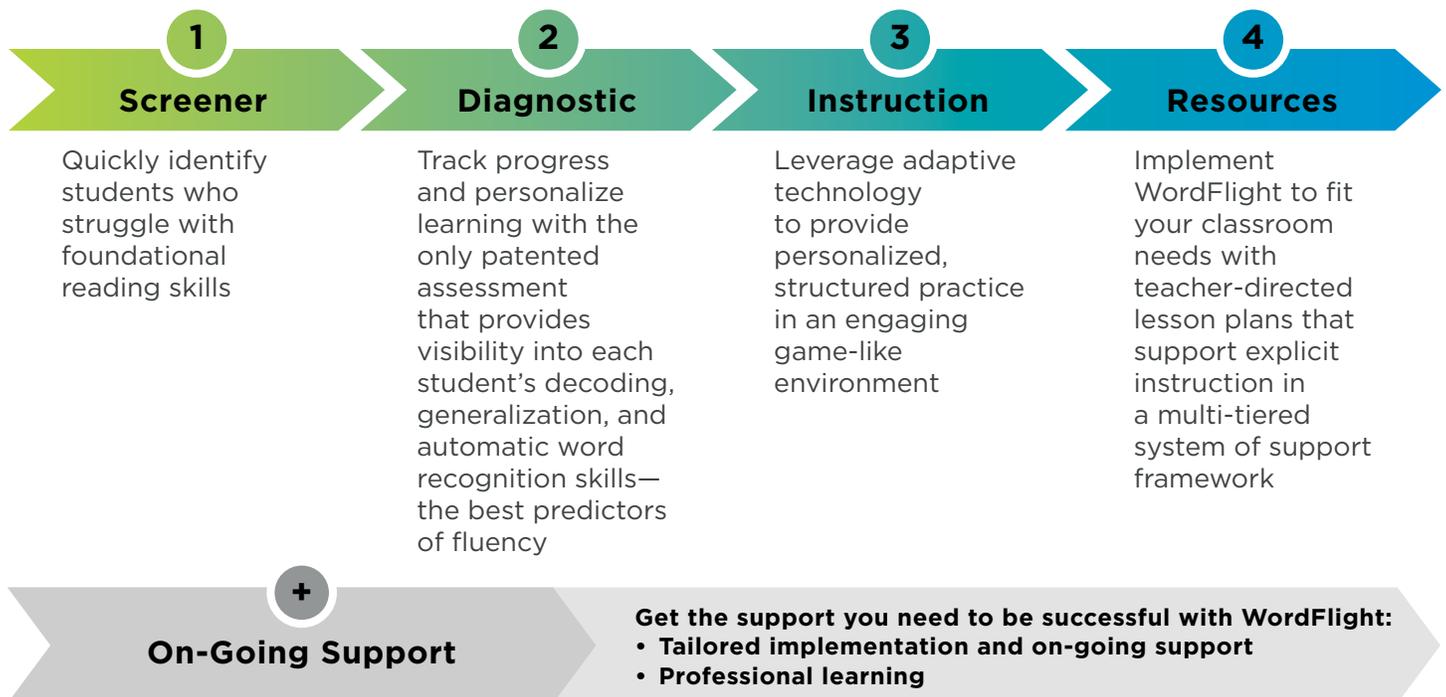
## WordFlight is an effective intervention for students in grades 3 and above who:

- Struggle with comprehension and fluency because of deficits in foundational skills
- Read slowly, with great effort and difficulty
- Struggle with decoding
- Are unable to easily identify and distinguish vowels
- Do not understand how syllables work or have difficulty breaking words into syllables
- Cannot quickly and automatically apply and generalize knowledge of phonics to new words or to connected text

**“As we look at our state test scores, we’ve seen significant growth both in proficiency and students making expected growth. We have had significant gaps specific to race, IEP, and free and reduced lunch. We’re seeing those gaps close.”**

— Justin Blietz, Principal,  
RCCBA

## How It Works:



**From WordFlight to Fluency**

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