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8th Peer-Reviewed Study Published on Renaissance Learning

“Journal of Education for Students Placed at Risk” publishes article on benefits of Accelerated Math

MADISON, Wis. (May 21, 2003)—The third peer-reviewed journal article on the positive effects of using Accelerated Math® has been published in the *Journal of Education for Students Placed at Risk*, making this the 8th peer-reviewed study published on Renaissance Learning programs.

The study, conducted by Professor Jim Ysseldyke at the University of Minnesota, compares 3rd-5th grade students who used Accelerated Math® along with Everyday Math to students who used the Everyday Math curriculum without AM supplementation.

Students with access to Accelerated Math consistently outperformed students who used Everyday Math curriculum without AM supplementation.

“Overall, the findings of this study demonstrate positive outcomes for students enrolled in classrooms where teachers used the AM software,” reports Professor Ysseldyke. “In fact, students in classrooms where teachers implemented Accelerated Math intervention to a greater degree benefited the most.”

The study focuses on students in an urban setting and compares students of different achievement levels. It is quasi-experimental and meets the strictest federal definition of scientifically research based.

Peer-reviewed journals publish only the highest caliber research. The peer-review process is very rigorous and can take a year or longer to complete. A panel of experts must review a research study and comment on the quality of the study methodology, the statistical tests used, and whether the study is reported clearly enough to allow other researchers to replicate it to corroborate the findings.

Renaissance Learning has a total of eight peer-reviewed studies on Renaissance Solutions, 5 on Reading Renaissance® and 3 on Math Renaissance®. There are currently 142 studies in all confirming that student achievement improves significantly in math and reading with the use of Reading Renaissance and Math Renaissance.

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