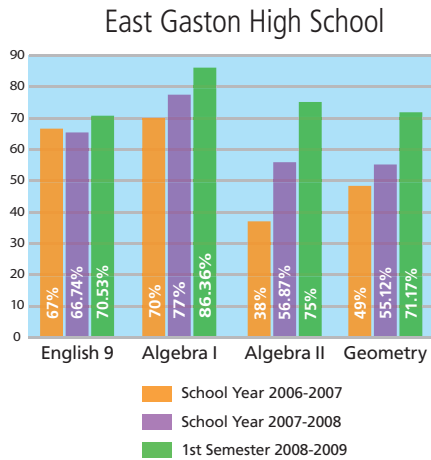


East Gaston High School, Gaston County School District, NC

EXPANDED IMPLEMENTATION YIELDS EVEN GREATER EOC GAINS THROUGH CLASSWORKS USE



"After we started using Classworks for remediation, we saw that it could be used for acceleration and enrichment as well. Purchasing Classworks was a win-win for our students and our school because it helps students get on track and stay on track. When students feel successful, they don't think about quitting."

— Marty Starnes, Principal
East Gaston High School

Challenge: East Gaston High School created a program aimed at helping 'at-risk' students pass Algebra I on the End of Course (EOC) test. The program, 'The Warrior Success Academy' was started after the school tasted success with Classworks in the early Spring of 2008. In order to sustain success, East Gaston needed to focus on helping students these students in their second year of using Classworks for Math.

Goals:

- Increase scores in Algebra I and II on the EOC
- See improvements in 'at-risk' population carry over from Algebra I to Geometry
- Also see gains in English I EOCs after expanding Classworks use to all 9th grade students in both Reading and Math

Action Plan: The school targeted 'at-risk' students through the Warrior Success Academy by using Classworks as a daily intervention for Algebra I. East Gaston then expanded their reach and provided Classworks lab time twice a week to the entire 9th grade for English I. Finally, the school provided all teachers access to Classworks in the classroom for whole-class instruction using interactive whiteboards. After implementing these measures, East Gaston High saw some very significant results on students' EOC tests.

Results:

- Algebra I EOC scores jumped as 9.36% more students showed proficiency than the previous year
- EOC proficiency in Geometry climbed from 55.12% to 71.17%
- EOC proficiency in Algebra II increased nearly 20%, from 56.87% to 75%
- After one semester of Classworks, English I proficiency rose from 66.74% to 70.53%