

The goal of the Wade program is to prevent the “summer slide” in reading achievement that children who are growing up in low-income circumstances often experience. Three summers of data reveal that the program is not only meeting, but is also exceeding, this goal: 48.8% of children have maintained their reading level across the summer, and 51.1% have increased their level. Moreover, comparisons of pre- and post-program scores on multiple assessments show significant gains in the ability to recognize words and read with comprehension. Particularly impressive is the significant gain in Gates-MacGinitie Reading Test scores. The Gates-MacGinitie is a standardized test typically given at longer intervals than the five weeks of the Wade program. A significant gain after only five weeks of instruction is tremendous.

Instructional Reading Level Gains: Summers 2015-2017

Summer Reading Achievement	Number/Percentage
Maintained reading level	

