Escondido Secondary Students Travel Back in Time While Improving Key Reading Skills with *TimeWarp Plus*

Escondido Union School District chose to implement *TimeWarp*® Plus with 469 sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade students during Summer 2006. After three weeks in *TimeWarp Plus*, these students greatly improved their reading fluency and performance on the program’s Pre–Test and Post–Test measures. Pre–Test and Post–Test average percentages are determined by the number of correct responses on the 36-question (30 for kindergarten) Reading Assessments. Students take the Reading Assessment at the beginning of the program and then again at the end.

**Reading Fluency Gains**

The expected growth for on track students is 0.6 words per minute per week. After just three weeks in the program sixth-grade students made approximately seven weeks of growth gaining 3.9 wpm; seventh-grade students made approximately 30 weeks of growth, gaining 18.2 wpm; and eighth-grade students made approximately 49 weeks of growth, gaining 29.2 wpm.

**Pre-Test to Post-Test Percent Correct**

- **Sixth Grade**
  - Before Voyager: 57%
  - After Voyager: 67%

- **Seventh Grade**
  - Before Voyager: 55%
  - After Voyager: 65%

- **Eighth Grade**
  - Before Voyager: 52%
  - After Voyager: 62%

Both seventh- and eighth-grade students surpassed the grade level goal by the end of the program.