

Dear Gary,

During February 2010 Treasure Valley Christian School began to test all students second grade through eighth grade. I then met with the teachers to go over the results of the test with them. The teachers felt that it really helped to identify the students' strengths and weaknesses and confirmed what they had observed while working with each student. I had a meeting with the parents as well; testing helped confirm characteristics they as parents had noted in their children. As a school we were impressed with how accurately the test identified the learning strengths and weaknesses of each child.

Ten children engaged in eleven weeks of Brain Skills training. Although it was hard to evaluate in such a short time, the teacher saw improvement in several of these students. One student in particular, was severely behind academically. After summer break we are now seeing this student begin to improve. This year he says he is beginning to understand what we are trying to teach him.

The School Board has voted to implement this program in our school. The seventh and eighth grades will be participating each year in Brain Skills for one semester. This program will also be used with any student that is identified as having learning difficulties while attending our school.

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