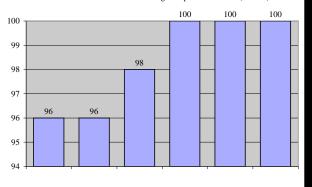
Percentage of Grade 3 Students Scoring Proficient or Advanced in Reading Source: Wisconsin Reading Comprehension Test (WRCT)





"People look at our scores and say, 'Wow, what incredible scores!' but what they don't know is our students have a very typical range of abilities," she said. "What we also have are phenomenal teachers and dedicated parents who believe strongly in the reading programs and reinforce skills at home."

As a previous teacher, Fischer said she knows first-hand the Direct Instruction model is foolproof.

"With the right professional development and practice, teachers can really make a difference with Direct Instruction programs like *Horizons* and *Reading Mastery*."

About Horizons

Horizons is a Direct Instruction reading program for Grades K-4. A detailed sequence of daily lessons provides explicit, systematic instruction in phonemic awareness, phonics/decoding, vocabulary, and comprehension.

About Classical Charter School

Serving approximately 425 students in Grades K-8, this school's student population is 94% Caucasian, 4% Asian, and 2% African American. Seven percent of the students qualify for free or reduced-price lunch. For more information about Classical Charter School, visit www.classicalcharter.com.

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