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Type of Instructional Program:

Comprehensive	Intervention	Supplemental to other	Students targeted
		programs	
	Blast Foundations G1A	Blast Foundations G1A	In Kindergarten:
	can be used as a small	can be used as a	 As a whole group
	group intervention for	supplement to the core	supplement to help
	lower performing (at	curriculum for ELA	prepare students for
	risk) 1 st graders, the	instruction. It is	1st grade requirement
	lowest performing 2 nd	designed to help	
	graders (intensive), and	strengthen phonemic	In 1st Grade
	even as an acceleration	awareness and phonics	• As a whole group
	for kindergarteners.	skills. In cases like this,	supplemental progran
	With 15-20 minutes of	Blast G1A will help	for schools without a
	daily, explicit,	prepare ALL students	strong core reading
	multisensory	for the challenging,	program.
	instruction focused on	complex text they will	As a small group
	the sub-skills that lead	face in later grades.	intervention for
	to efficient decoding.		students at-risk for
	Blast is designed for		falling behind.
	students who have not		
	yet mastered the		
	Grade 1 Foundational		In 2nd Grade and
	Reading skills outlined		Beyond
	in Common Core State		•As a small group
	Standards. Instruction		intervention for
	includes Letter Sound		students who still are
	Fluency, Sight Words		emerging readers.
	Fluency, Phonemic and		Typically, this means
	Phonological		students who are ver
	Awareness, and		low cognitively or nev
	Phonics.		to English reading.
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If an intervention, describe what component of reading it addresses:

Blast Foundations G1 A has five main areas of focus:

- Sight/High Frequency Words
- Letter Sound Knowledge



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- Phonics
- Fluency

Grade Level K 1 2 3

Blast G1A is appropriate for even older student who have not yet mastered basic reading skills and are in need of direct explicit instruction to "close the gap" if they have deficits in phonemic and phonological awareness as well as phonics.

Program Summary:

BLAST FOUNDATIONS G1A (GRADE 1 ALIGNED) is a series of lessons focused on the essential foundational skills students need to master by the end of first grade. It includes explicit instruction and progress monitoring of letter sounds, phonemic and phonological awareness, sight word fluency, and phonics knowledge. These sub-skills lead to strong decoding and fluent, accurate reading. The lessons can be completed in just 16-24 weeks. Blast is designed with 25 units, each comprised of 5 lessons. Each lesson keeps students actively engaged in the learning process with multisensory teaching. Lessons are designed to be completed daily in 15-20 minutes sessions. In one week, students are immersed in 75-100 minutes of explicit, foundational skills instruction. Students are taught to use functional strategies to attack unknown words and learn to transfer and apply these skills in all academic areas. It's a better way of teaching the sub-skills that lead to strong decoding.

BLAST FOUNDATIONS G2A (Grade 2 ALIGNED) available in spring of 2015, is the advanced component with 20 additional units aligned to the Grade 2 Foundational Skills from the Common Core State Standards. Older students who struggle with advanced vowels and multisyllabic words will benefit from the direct instruction in Blast Foundations G2A.

