## **Advisory Program Description**

Name of Entity: Voyager Sopris Learning Program-RAVE-O

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Type of Program: Intervention Program

If this program is intervention or supplemental which component(s) of reading are addressed:

Grade Level: K-4

## Summary of the program:

RAVE-O (Reading through Automaticity, Vocabulary, Engagement, and Orthography) is an innovative, intensive, reading program that targets serious reading challenges, particularly in the areas of fluency and comprehension for students in grades 2–4. RAVE-O takes reading intervention beyond the typical decoding program and moves it to a more comprehensive level, where students learn the power of words and how they grow into meaningful text. RAVE-O has been rigorously tested over the last 10 years in gold standard, randomized treatment control studies, and the results are clear: RAVE-O accelerates student growth in reading.

Founded upon the most current, up-to-date research on reading and the brain, *RAVE-O* provides struggling readers with a whole new way to think about words and to approach text—building a platform of reading success and preparing students to fully participate in the core curriculum. The program is about words—their multiple meanings, different grammatical uses, sounds, and letters—and the profound importance each of these aspects has on children learning to read.

NOTE: We use the following descriptions to define various types of instructional support in early literacy. Please review the descriptions and identify your program according to the type of instructional support is it intended to deliver. Each approved instructional program should classify itself under one type of instructional programming only.

**Core Instruction** is instruction provided to all students in the class, and it is usually guided by a <u>comprehensive core reading program</u>. Part of the core instruction is usually provided to the class as a whole, and part is provided during the small group, differentiated instruction period. Although instruction is differentiated by student need during the small group period, materials and lesson procedures from the core program can frequently be used to provide reteaching, or additional teaching to students according to their needs.

**Supplemental Instruction** is instruction that goes beyond that provided by the comprehensive core program because the core program does not provide enough instruction or practice in a key area to meet the needs of the students in a particular classroom or school. For example, teachers in a school may observe that their comprehensive core program does not provide enough instruction in vocabulary, or in phonics, to adequately meet the needs of the majority of their students. They could then select a <u>supplemental program</u> in these areas to strengthen the initial instruction and practice provided to all students.

Intervention Instruction is provided only to students who are lagging behind their classmates in the development of critical reading skills. This instruction will usually be guided by a <u>specific intervention program</u> that focuses on one or more of the key areas of reading development. This type of instruction is needed by only a relatively small minority of students in a class. In some cases, students in 2nd and 3rd grade may have lagged so far behind grade level development of reading skills that very little content from the grade level comprehensive core program is suitable for them. In these cases, students may need to receive instruction guided by a comprehensive intervention program that is specifically designed to meet their specific needs while at the same time accelerating their growth toward grade level reading ability.