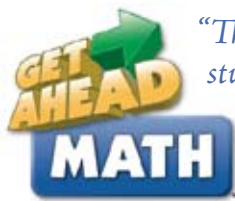


# Algebra I Summer Success with *Get Ahead Math*<sup>™</sup>



*"The program gave the students focus. It helped them set clear goals that they could reach. As a teacher, you wouldn't believe it. The students would come into the class and start working on the program—they became more independent learners."*

*Daniela Anino  
Algebra I Instructor*

## AT A GLANCE

**Educational Institution:** Blair International Baccalaureate School, grades 7-12

**Setting:** 9th Grade Remedial Algebra I 2004 Summer School Class

**Usage:** Four hours per day, four days a week for three weeks

**Assessment:** Standards-based assessment found within the program and a school-provided Algebra I content assessment

**Students:** Thirteen 9th-grade students who had previously failed Algebra I

**District:** Pasadena Unified School District (Pasadena, CA)

## Goals/Objectives

Utilize *Get Ahead Math* to provide a differentiated learning experience to 9th grade summer school students who had previously failed Algebra I. Afford these students an opportunity to successfully master the key Algebra I concepts and pass the school's Algebra I assessment test to receive course credit.

## Overview

Blair IB School's principal and after-school program coordinator organized a summer school class of thirteen 9th grade students who had failed Algebra I during the academic school year and who had been removed from the traditional summer school program due to discipline problems. They placed these students in an Algebra I intervention class that utilized *Get Ahead Math*, intensively, for three weeks.

Students were issued laptops from the school's mobile computer lab to access the *Get Ahead Math* program. Over the course of three weeks, a classroom instructor monitored the students' activity, within *Get Ahead Math*, as they worked at their own pace through key concepts for four hours a day, four days a week. The students that successfully passed both the assessment found within the program and the school's Algebra I assessment test received a certificate from the program and were given credits for Algebra I.

## Results

All but two of the intervention students successfully passed the Algebra I level within *Get Ahead Math* and the Algebra I exam administered by the school. In this summer intervention program, approximately 85% of the students passed Algebra I.

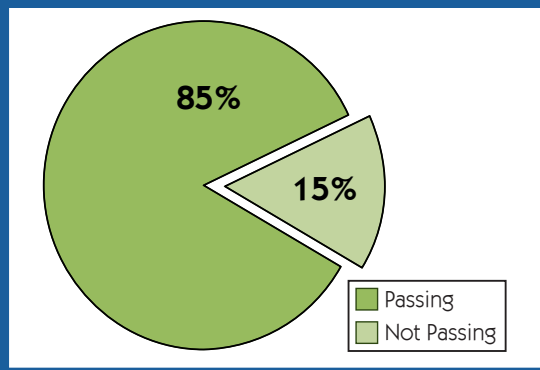
Since the success of this 2004 summer program, Blair IB School has expanded their use of *Get Ahead Math* for use with their after-school program and with their regular school day intervention students.

*"Students who have embraced the methodology of the Get Ahead Math process have seen dramatic improvements in their mathematics performance in the classroom."*

*Isaac Bass  
7th & 8th Grade  
Math Teacher*

## Algebra I Passing Rate Using *Get Ahead Math*

Blair IB Magnet School  
Algebra I Summer Course, 2004



## SCHOOL PROFILE

**Blair IB Magnet School, grades 7-12  
2004–2005 Demographics**

African-American	29%
Hispanic	55%
White	8%
Asian, Filipino, Pacific Islander	3%
English Language Learners	23%
Free or Reduced Lunch	61%

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