

Dear Mr. Bell,

I am the principal at Alcorn Central Elementary in Glen, Mississippi. We are a Title I school with 63% free or reduced lunch. Our school began using your recommendations last year as a part of a strong push to improve our test scores. Our QDI in 2010 was 158 and we were devastated because we believed we were doing everything right, so we began researching methods to help improve student achievement. A group of teachers and I attended one of your workshops and became ON FIRE. We performed the Power Verb Song at a faculty meeting and began teaching UNRAAVEL to our colleagues. It was contagious! The students caught the excitement because they were experiencing more success. Larry Bell sparked enthusiasm in our teachers and students which has proven successful because our QDI for 2011 was **194!!** That is a 36 point gain!!! Our students worked very hard so we rewarded them this spring with a field trip to a baseball game. We are working hard again this year to make the 6 point gain needed to become a STAR school. We believe the Larry Bell procedures were instrumental in helping our student achieve more. Thank you for working so hard to help schools and students become successful.

Sincerely,

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Principal, ACES