



## FAMILY SUCCESS ALLIANCE

### Family Success Alliance 2017 Summer School Formative Evaluation

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Evaluation of Family Success Alliance's (FSA) Summer School Program indicated that children attending this program showed substantial gains in academic, attention, and social skills. The UNC Frank Porter Graham (FPG) team, as part of their partnership with FSA, conducted the evaluation. The summer skills program involved:

- Children entering Kindergarten at FPG Billingslee, Carrboro, Northside and New Hope Schools and children entering first and second grade at New Hope.
- Four weeks focused on promoting self-regulation, attention, and academic skills while providing children meals and time to play.

In the first and last week of camp, children's academic and attention skills were directly assessed and social skills were rated by their teachers. Assessments were selected to reflect the instruction being provided in those classrooms, and included measures of children's language, literacy, math, and attention skills.

### Results

- The rising kindergarteners, first and second graders made substantial gains in their math skills, literacy skills, and classroom behaviors.
- The rising Ks also made gains in the oral language skills.
- The proportion of the rising Kindergarteners, first and second graders at or above benchmark for their grade doubled from the beginning to end of the summer camp.