



# Best Evidence Encyclopedia (BEE)

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## Standards for Research-Proven Programs

**Was the program compared to a control group?**

- Yes
- No

**Was the study at least 12 weeks in duration?**

- Yes
- No

**Were the program and control groups equivalent in achievement at the pretest? (within half a standard deviation)**

- Yes
- No

**Was the post-test a valid test, such as a standardized or state accountability test, not inherent to the program tested?**

- Yes
- No

**Were positive effects found in at least 2 studies in which the sample size was at least 5 classes or 125 students per treatment group?**

- Yes
- No

**Averaging across all studies, was the average advantage of the program group over the control group at least 20% of a standard deviation?**

- Yes
- No