

# RELAY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION Presentation to the NYS Board of Regents

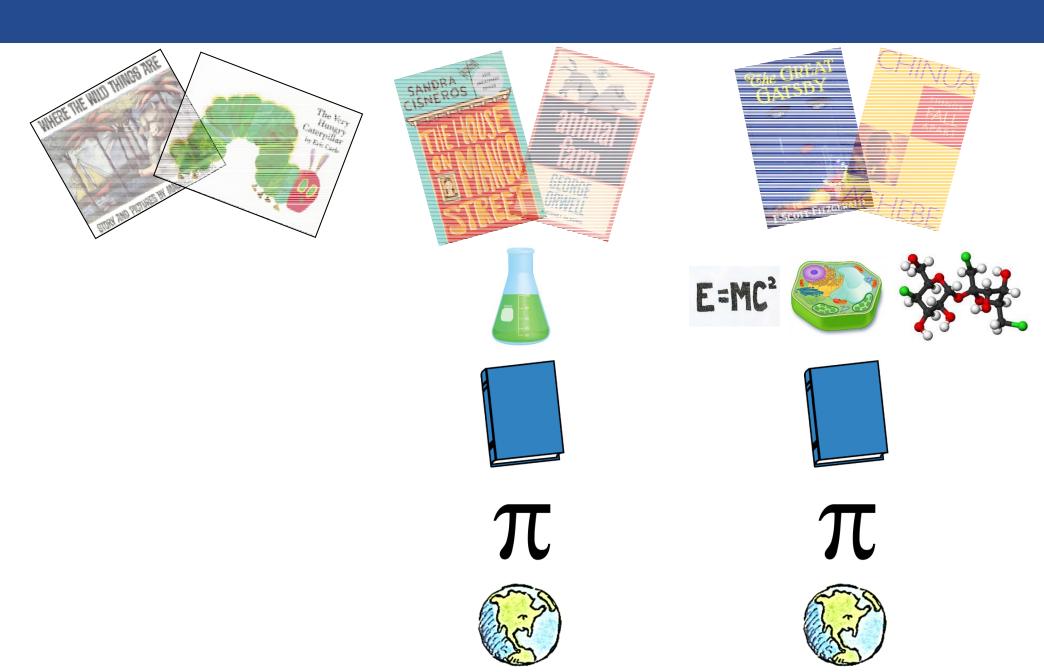
Norman Atkins, Co-Founder & President April 23, 2013

## Relay Graduate School of Education

- With Hunter College, created Teacher U in 2008
- Grew into independent IHE "Relay GSE" in 2011
- Began Trans-B Cert & MAT programs, Fall 2011
- Accredited by Middle States, 2012 (NCATE, 2011)
- Relay GSE enrolls full- and part-time teachers
- Graduate students attend classes....
  - ....summers, evenings, weekends
- Hybrid delivery: 60% in-person, 40% online

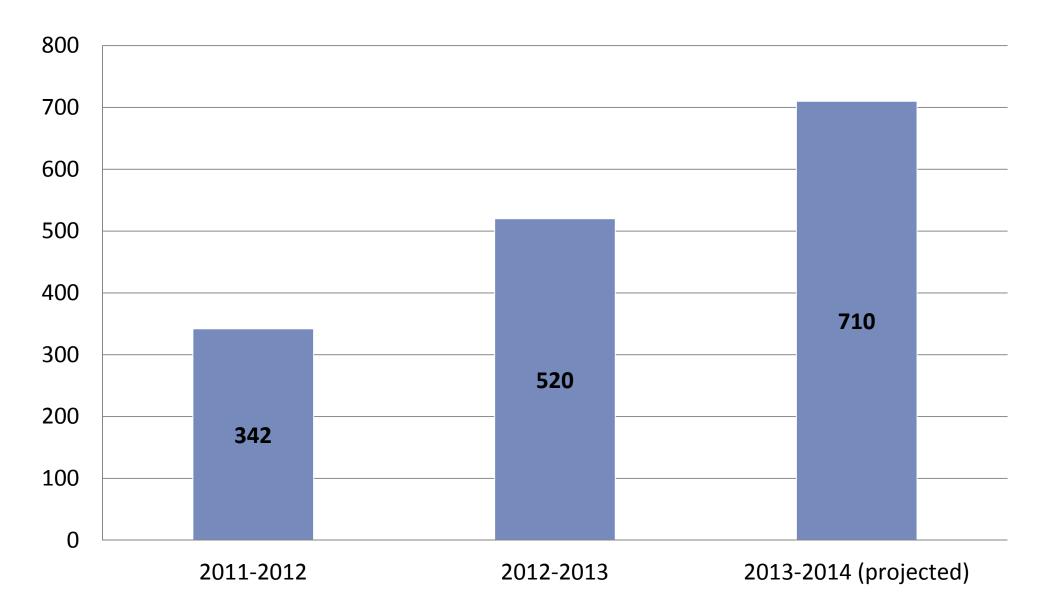


## **Current Programs**





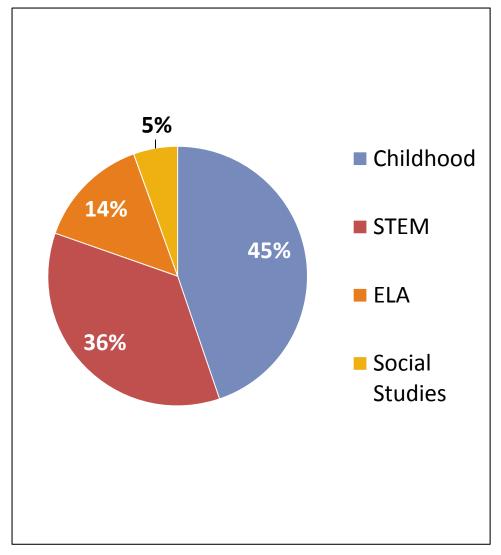
## **Current and Projected Enrollment**



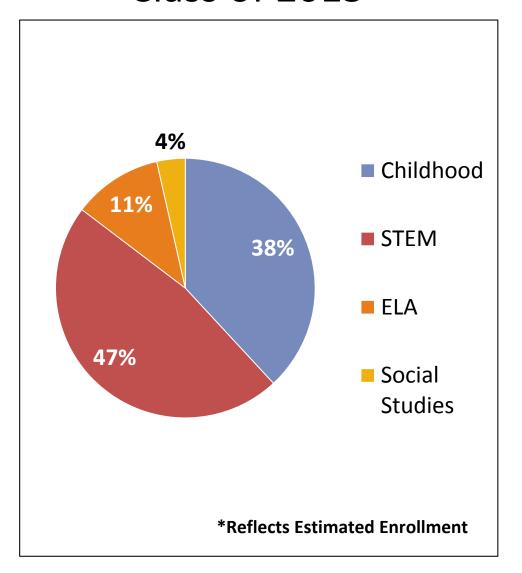


#### **Programs of Study**

Class of 2014

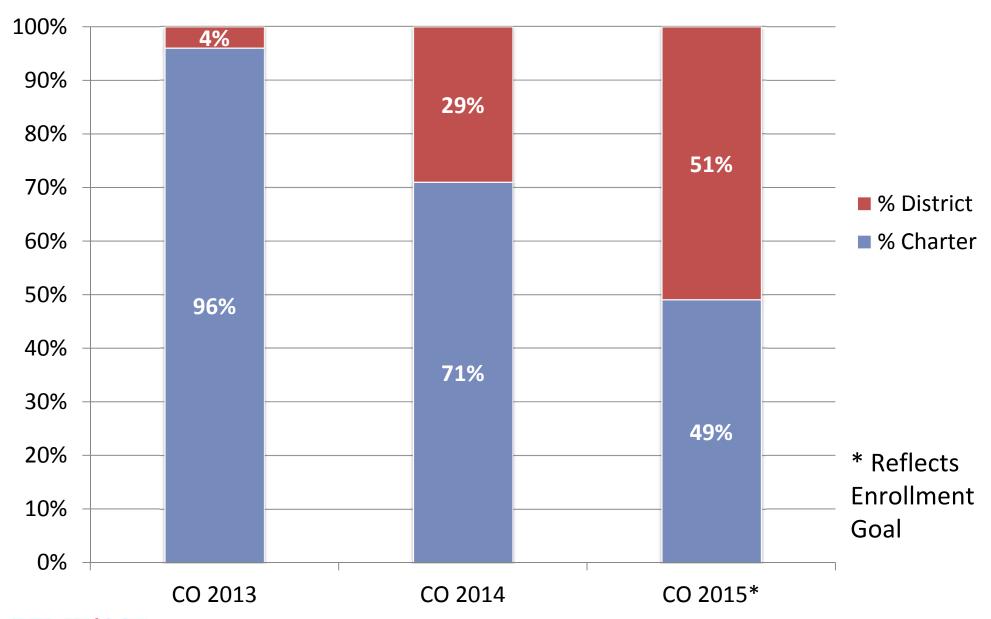


#### Class of 2015\*





#### District and Charter School Enrollment



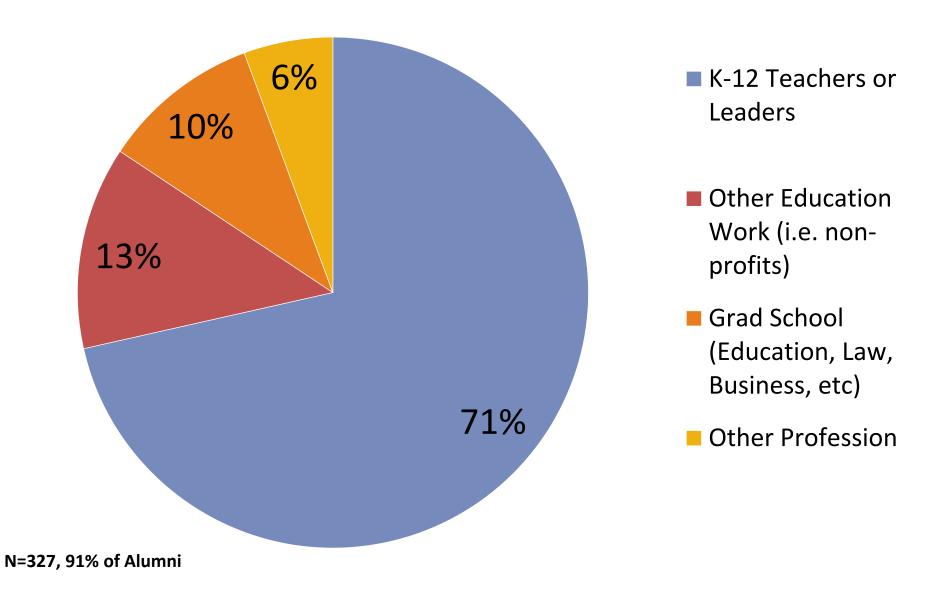


#### Distribution Across NYC Schools

- Relay GSE students teach in 165 schools in NYC, including 79 district schools
- 85% Free/Reduced Priced Lunch in Relay GSE schools, compared to 73% citywide
- 44% of Relay GSE's district teachers teach in "highneeds schools"
- Relay GSE's NYCDOE teachers mirror the distribution of district public schools on NYCDOE's 2011-12 School Progress Reports.



## **Program Alumni: Where Are They Now?**





## Our Approach

#### **Five Elements of Effective Instruction**





#### "Champion" Professors



Provost
Former High School
Science Teacher



Dr. Kim Austin

Assistant Professor

Former Elementary School

Teacher

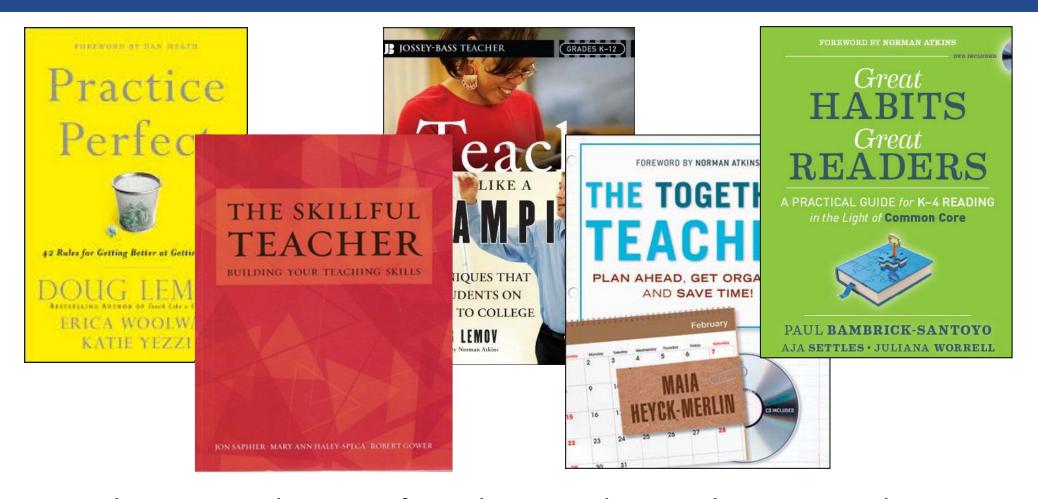


Assistant Professor of Practice
Former Middle School
English Teacher

Relay GSE's faculty members are high-performing teachers and school leaders who have been especially effective at teaching low-income children.



## **Concrete Skills & Techniques**

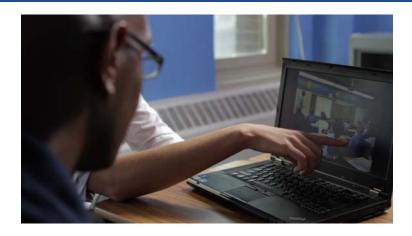


Relay GSE teaches specific techniques that teachers can implement immediately in their classrooms and also develop as part of a durable framework of effectiveness.



## Watch & Analyze "Game Film"







Relay GSE students observe exemplary instruction from teachers all over New York and the country by watching video clips. Then they use a video camera to film themselves and receive feedback on their instruction from their professors and peers.



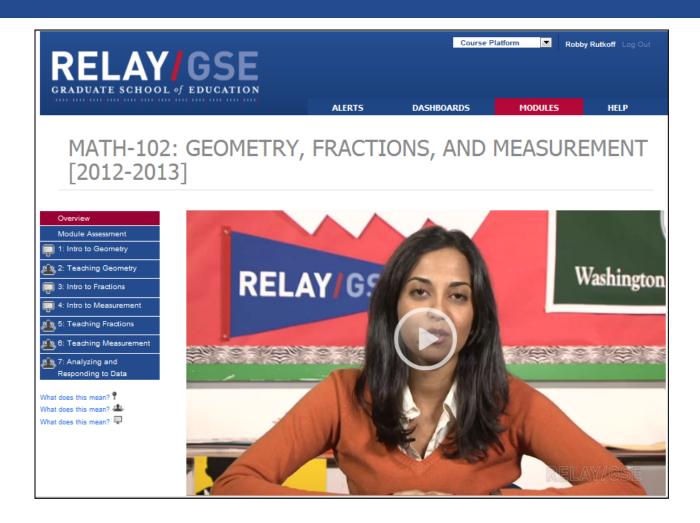
#### **Instructional "At Bats"**



Relay GSE students experience numerous instructional "at-bats" to develop and improve their skills as a teacher.



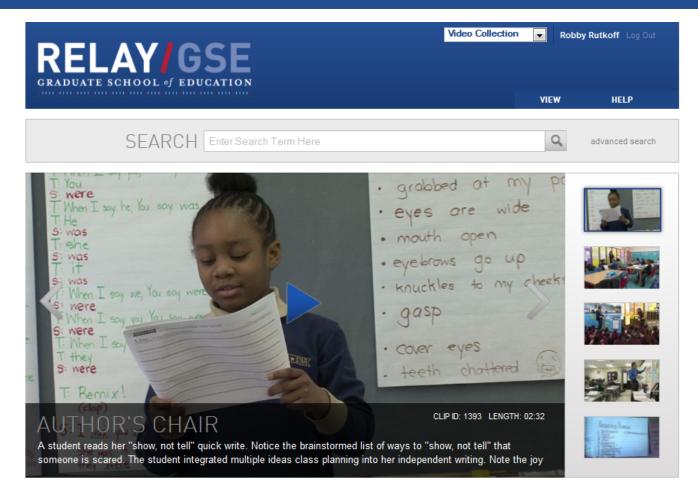
### **High-Quality Online Instruction**



Relay GSE's online modules – offered on a new, innovative learning management platform – delivers maximally convenient direct instruction and shows exemplary videos for busy teachers.



## **Online Video Library**



The Relay GSE Online Video Library is a vehicle by which individuals can search instructional videos and provides robust search functionality by keyword, grade level, subject area, and instructional practice.



## **Character Strengths**





Relay GSE believes that both intelligence and character are malleable. Strands of our curriculum are designed to teach teachers how to inspire character strengths in their students.



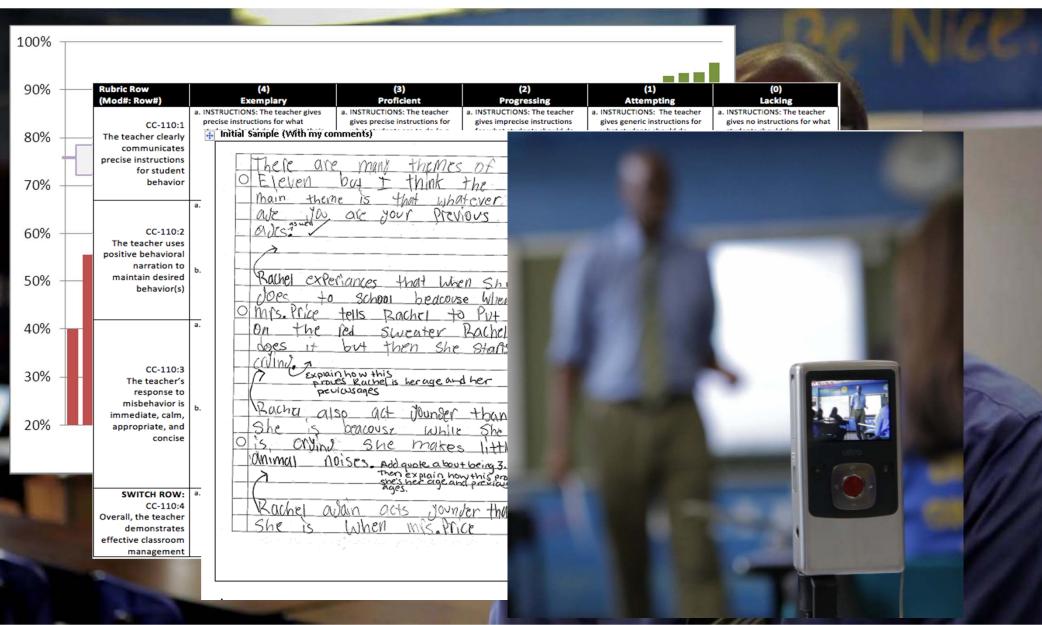
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Relay GSE teaches all teachers to assess their students in a way that generates meaningful information about their learning, which in turn will improve instruction.



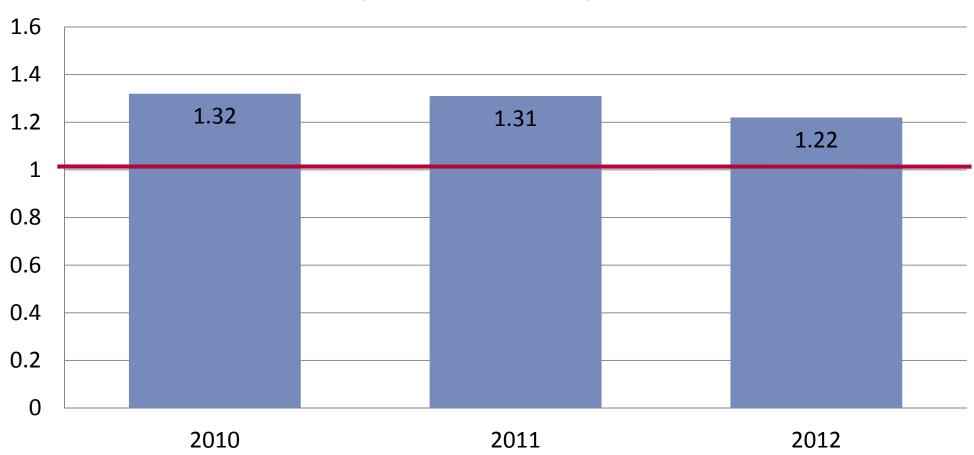
#### Master's Defense Portfolio





#### **Demonstrate Student Achievement**

#### **Average Years of Reading Growth**



Relay GSE teachers who complete the two-year program *must* demonstrate that their students have made at least a year's worth of academic growth in a year's time to graduate.



## **Challenges & Opportunities**



