

TITLE OF THE PROJECT: Read and think (Ler e Pensar)

REGISTRATION CATEGORY: Newspaper in Education , Enduring Excellence and

Special Category: Digital First

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CIRCULATION AND FREQUENCY OF NEWSPAPER: Daily- 60 Thousand copies SUMMARY OF THE PROJECT:

The Read and think is a project to promote reading and citizenship which, through the newspaper and education, contributes to the formation of educators, children and adolescents throughout the State of Paraná.

Web site of the Project www.lerepensar.com.br

PUBLIC INVOLVED

Students and teachers in elementary and high schools Age group of the students reached by the project: 6 to 21 years.

College of Higher Education Institutions



Stage 01 – Description



The Project

Developed by Gazeta do Povo since 1999, the Read and think has reached more than one million people across Paraná. Its main purpose is to train and prepare the young readers to be more critical and participatory, that with the help of newspaper media they understand the world in which they live and can fully exercise citizenship. The project promotes different cultural and educational activities for children and teenagers, and actions directed to the formation of the professor, who despite not being the priority target audience, is in most schools the figure responsible for encouraging reading and developing activities with the newspaper. The pedagogical proposal of Read and Think facilitates the insertion of the newspaper in the classroom and encourages it to be explored in three ways: as a pedagogical resource that enhances the teachinglearning process, as a form of expression, possibility of authorship and freedom of opinion for the young, and as an object of critical study and reading. In 16 years of operation and with results that highlight its positive impact on schools around Paraná, the project received acknowledgment and numerous awards.





In 2013 52 municipalities of Paraná 554 public, private schools 3.100 teachers 108.000 students

> In 2014 58 municipalities of Paraná 491 public, private schools 2.972 teachers 104.020 students

The Project -Scope

In 2015 (still in the process of teacher enrollment) 60 municipalities of Paraná 502 public, private schools 2.951 teachers 103.285 students







General Objective

Contribute to the improvement of the reading indexes, interpretation of texts, quality of basic education and citizenship among young people and teenagers and train teachers to use newspaper media in the classroom.

Specific Objectives



- Submit the newspaper (printed and online) as a pedagogical resource to foster reading and citizenship;
- Assist in the improvement of the students ' oral and written expression;
- Encourage activeness of educators and students in the social context in which they are inserted;
- Near the school content to the reality;
- Encourage criticism, and prepare students for full citizenship;
- Promote the continuous education of teachers to work with media using the newspaper as a primary resource;
- Offer systematically and permanently, educational material to subsidize the teacher in developing actions that encourage reading and authorship in school;
- Recognize and promote initiatives of teachers and students whose results lead to effective educational and social transformations;



The Read and Think has as justification to bring a proposal for replicable social technology, effectively contributing to the fulfilment of the educational demands. In view of the needs for improvement in official rates, we know that teachers training becomes a priority.

In Brazil the qualification of teachers in certain areas is very small or any, as in the case of training for media use at school. Thinking about this, the offer of courses and teaching material that form the professor for this job is one of the concerns of Read and think.

Besides, all the courses that we provide, contribute to career progression of educators, what qualifies and motivates them further to enrich the teaching-learning process and enhance the possibilities of knowledge exploration.

Each certification that the teacher receives after performing any of our courses can be submitted in the State and Municipal departments of education to raise the teachers ' salary and hierarchical levels.

It is worth mentioning also that the educational contents in the State of Paraná prove the need for substantiated projects to promote reading, youth protagonism and to offer greater support to educators, such as Read and think. When promoting different activities involving reading and citizenship development, the project has strong social potential, adding community and school, and thus contributing to the effective improvement of education.

The Project - Justification





The Project – News

The year 2014 had a lot of novelties in Read and Think. There were numerous challenges, such as: expand the opportunities for present encounters with our public, to measure the social impact, diversify the project's activities to different digital platforms, to create a Facebook page for pedagogical purposes, to increase the number of teachers formed by our platform of distance education and to show new interaction possibilities with newspaper midia.

Presential Workshops

By teachers request and aiming proximity to the public, in 2014 we implemented practical workshops and pedagogical consulting visits to the participant schools and cities. During the year we realized:

- 17 pedagogical consulting visits
- ➤ 43 openings in new schools
- > 3 pilot-workshops "Newspaper in Practice"
- > 854 teachers directly beneficied by presential meetings





Espaço Ler e Pensar

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Ler e Pensar Area

In 2014, Read and Think won a special place in the section Life and Citizenship (Vida e Cidadania) of Gazeta do Povo newspaper. Published every Tuesday, the section "Read and Think Place" (Espaço Ler e Pensar), has as its main goal to spread the word about the life-changing teachers that use the newspaper daily in their pedagogical approaches.

67% of the participants evaluate the column as an excellent opportunity for appreciation and recognition of the teachers' work.



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"Dear Fernanda and Antoniella!

Thank you so much, you have no idea about the excitement! Me, the kids, the school and the entire community are extremely happy and speechless. When I opened the newspaper as usual I said: kids, look how interesting!!! Scholar TV: the students in charge of the reading... They were euphoric and started to celebrate and I want to share with you this joy, it was very important to all of us, who are in 2nd place at IDEB* = 7.6. My work colleagues, the parents and the kids are still celebrating and talking with proud: we were on the paper!!! Thank you once again for choosing us, I'm working twice as hard to send the project to the competition, they're more motivated and so am I."

The Project – News

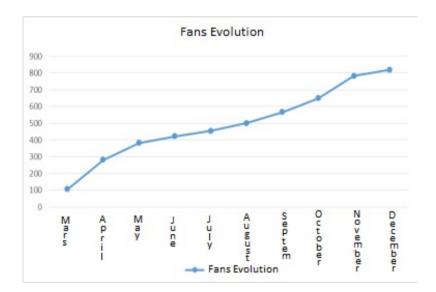


The Project – News

Facebook

This year we debuted our Fanpage that has pedagogical and institutional purposes; the interaction with the teachers is growing by the day. Besides using it to spread the word about the teachers' practices, we also provide activities tips on how to use the newspaper in the classroom, both printed and digital.







The Project – News

Facebook

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5,446 People Reached

Ler e Pensar Gazeta do Povo

Posted by Ø Christiane Kremer Custódio de Souza [?] · September 30, 2014 · Ø

Chegou o grande momento, pessoall Conheçam os 10 finalistas do Concurso Cultural Ler e Pensar 2014 na categoria "Prática Pedagógica": http://goo.gl/8pYFgV

Nossa equipe parabeniza todos os professores que se dedicaram e enviaram trabalhos para o Concurso. Vocês são nossa motivação e nosso orgulho 🙂

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Concurso Cultural Ler e Pensar 2014 divulga finalistas

O projeto Ler e Pensar divulgou hoje o nome dos dez professores finalistas na categoria "Práticas Pedagógicas" do Concurso Cultural Ler e Pensar 2014. Neste ano, mais de 100 trabalhos foram recebidos apenas nessa categoria.

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September – Interactivity Peak Total Reach – 5.446 people reached Likes – 247 Comments – 75 Shares – 23 Clicks – 644



New Digital Platform

Brazil is a country that not everybody is familiarized with the digital era, what creates a great challenge for the project to engage and motivate the teachers to use the technologies.

To change this realiyy, since 2012, Read and Think provides 13 courses in digital platform to all the enrolled teachers. By the end of 2014 our platform was renewed, now completely in Moodle System, providing bigger interactivity and easier use of the site.

Our courses are 160 hours long and are certified by educational institutions, fact that helps in their careers progression. The platform is available from April to November and makes easier the process of choosing when and where they want to accomplish their training program.

Since its beginning in 2012 until the present date the Training Program Read and Think Distance Education already form over 4000 teachers. It is the only program in Brazil that has implemented 100% of its educational contents in the digital platform.

The Project – News

The courses are:

- Newspaper and its possibilities:
- \succ Literacy;
- Critical reading of the media;
- Newspaper library;
- School newspaper: the voice and the time of students;
- Project management;
- Reading, Interpretation and production of texts;
- Read and tell stories with the newspaper;
- Dramatization of news;
- Image and news;
- Reflections on inclusion;
- Technology in education;
- Public Policies.



The Project – News

New Digital Platform



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"Congratulations to the team. The model Distance Education helps us to engage in the courses and model the time we spend to each student need. I can only thank the Gazeta do Povo crew for the opportunity, because through the courses I was able to enrich my pedagogical practices, therefore to offer classes with higher quality by offering them differentiated opportunities, presenting the reality and awakening their interest and power of reflection for reading." **Teacher from Curitiba**



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In all the years that the project exists we always had the wish of measuring the social impact that we cause. In 2014 we ran a pilot in one of the participating cities – Curitiba, with a public of 20 thousand students and their families.

We sent a research kit to each school of this city. The kit had 60 researches, 30 for the students to answer and 30 to their families. In total we sent 6000 forms hoping at least 600 returns to work with an error margin of 5%.

To our surprise we received even more than we sent for a the total of **6341** answers.

> **3676** answers from students

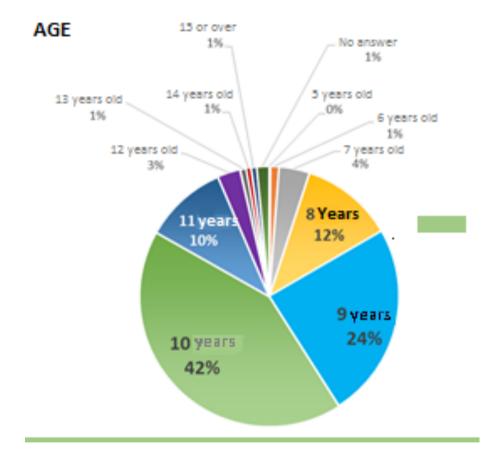
> 2665 answers from parents



1^a. Impact Research realized with students and families: 6341 answered to the research voluntarily



Social Impact Research



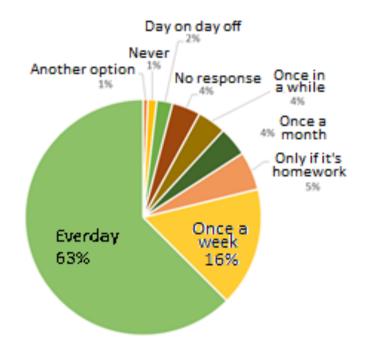
The Project – News

✓ **94%** of the students say that they like to read

✓ **63%** of the students read every day

✓ 90% of the parents believe that their children reading habits improved after the beggining of the project

✓ 98% of the parents find the project important to the family
 When do ou read



Gazeta do Povo Newspaper

Daily handled at the schools and also available in digital platforms, that are increasingly being looked by teachers and students. The newspaper contents are used in the pedagogical practices. Besides printed it is now available in smartphones, tablets and computers. The Gazeta do Povo newspaper is the only paper in Brazil with fully responsive content, in other words, that adapts itself to any digital and mobile platform.



Teaching material offered to teachers



Oriented-reading of the Newsletter (BOLO) done biweekly

Tabloid distributed to teachers in order to qualify the use of newspapers in the classroom. Its contents are produced by a multidisciplinary group integrated by the team and graduate students linked to partner institutions of higher education.

The newsletter offers "lesson plans" made from the news, in addition to pedagogical tips and space for dissemination of pedagogical practices of the teachers and students work. The newsletter is also available on the E-LEARNING platform.



Teaching material offered to teachers



Book - "Reading: the world beyond words", with 8 (eight) chapters that mix the practices developed by schools with scientific tests produced by specialists, masters and doctors of partner universities and colleges. This book was distributed to all the libraries of Paraná, as well as to the municipal secretariats of education.

DVD - "Reading in practice", a set of statements recorded and edited by a columnist of Gazeta do Povo, approaching the "reading" thematic and showing how it can influence people's lives.





The power of Newspaper in the classroom to transform realities

At a city that participated in the project, that had high Hantavirosis incidence – disease spread by rats' urine and feces and the symptoms can lead to death – a teacher had the interest to inform his students and search for preventive measures.

The teacher saw in the subject an opportunity to bring her class closer to technology. In the Universit's computer lab, which is attached to the school, 48 students between the ages 10 to 12 had researched for news published by Gazeta do Povo's website.

Besides the debate about the news, the students took the texts to share with their families. The interest became so big that, after three months, the teacher presented a lecture about the subject to the families, held by Nursing and Agronomy students.

The results obtained by this work went beyond. The contact with the newspaper had increased the children's critical thinking! They noticed that the garbage bin that were in front of the school, because it was open, let the trash bags exposed, therefore the rats were more attracted by it so they would come more easily. They saw the garbage accumulated in the playground they played and the poor state in wich the games were and it bothered them.

They made contact with a town clerk and this one mobilized the building sector and, in the short run, the bin was replaced by a closed structure, new bins arrived to the playground and the old toys gave place to new ones.

Newspaper, technology and transformation!

Pedagogical Practices



Research project helps to reduce the prevalence of disease in city in Paraná



Reading that leaves school and goes home

A teacher that participates the program already has in her pedagogical program the focus in working with daily editions of Gazeta do Povo to awaken in the students critical thinking, protagonism and to encourage reading.

Motivated by the desire to take the results "outside the school's boundries". In July she began to extend the project to the families, allowing all the newspapers used in class to be taken home. Before, however, to investigate the parent's reading habits, she sent a research to find how many read newspapers. The questionnaire revealed that, out of the 29 interviwed families, only 4 didn't have the habit, because they lived in rural areas far from urbanized centers.

So the children started to take home a kit called "reading of the turn", with the current newspaper and a notebook for them to take notes, along with the family, about the new they find more interesting.

On the next day, those notes were presented and discussed in class. "All the parents got involved and the students, besides showing knowledge about what they were talking about, they've improved their communication" *Newspaper, reading and chage of habits!*

Pedagogical Practices



Project contributes to familiar reading by sendind the newspaper home



Citzenship and responsabilities

Different initiatives related to solidarity, equality, security, health and the environment were considered in campaings organized in a school participant of the project and taken to the community.

The capacity revealed by the teachers was so big that the school was a finalist in the Mobilization category of Read and Think Cultural Contest 2014. There were over 600 students from the 1st to 5th years evolved in the activities. All the initiatives started with the use of the newspaper in the classroom, through the reading and understanding of the published histories.

One history that called attention for its unfolding was related with selective waste collection. After that several different news about selective collection and environment were theme of discussions in the classroom, the school searched for partnerships with the municipal government to receeve new and colourful garbage bins, to be an incentive to waste separation. *"Untill that happened we didn't separate. Besides having students and families more aware, today we also have a cleaner school, not to mention that the academic results have improved, the students behavior have changed, their reading habits, oral communication and written habilities improved, and they have now a deeper critical and citizen awareness." tells the director.*

Pedagogical Practices



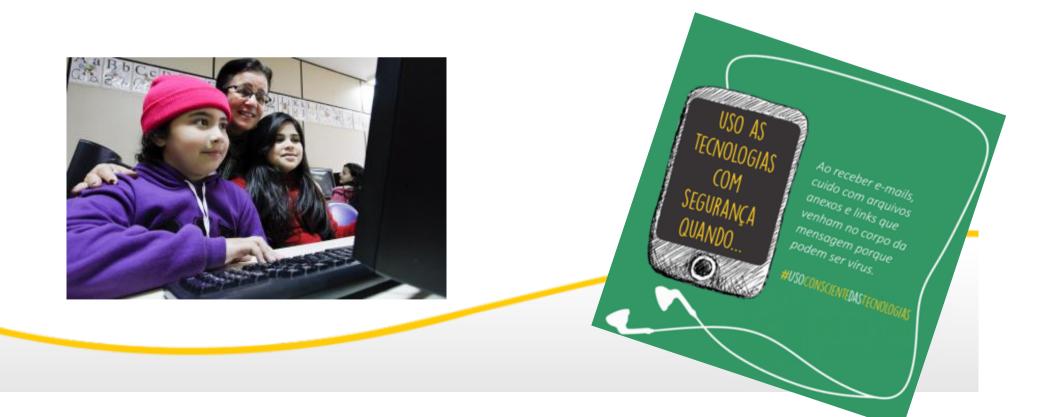
Project contributes to change the environmental reality of school



The conscientious use of technologies

The projects has migrated more and more to digital platforms, and encourage the teachers to use the new technologies that are available to them. With that concern, in 2015 we are working with the theme: "The conscientious use of technologies"

It is available in our digital platform the course "Technologies in Education", we offer the seminar: "Technologies: where to begin?" and we are publishing in our educational materials a series of articles showing positive and negative points in the use of technology in the classroom, besides fomenting the debate in our social networks.





Stage 02 – Development



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Higher Education Institution

Read and Think project signs partnerships with Higher education institutions to ensure a great academic practice and the fundametal cientific guidance to the prodution of pedagogical content, evaluation and events organization.

The partnership with those institutions allows students from different degrees to be present such as Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Portuguese, English, Arts, Music, History, Geography, Sociology and Pedagogy that get together weekly to produce the sugested activities at the newspaper BOLO. All the material is produced from the news published at the paper.

The higher education institutions also help in the materials evaluation, validate and certify the courses offered by the project's team.

Educarion Board

The project still counts with the support and guidance of an Educational Board formed by teachers that are Masters and Doctors in education and jornalism, that represents five Fellow Universities and also work at Mid and High Schools.



Another Higher Education Institutions contribution is the students' essays evaluation, for those who participate in the Cultural Contest Read and Think.

> 142 students of the graduation courses of Grammar and Pedagogy were directly involved with the Project.

"It is with great satisfactions that we participated in the Project Read and Think. There is no doubt that it has great value to our students' academic education. We'll certainly continue together in this mission. Count on us forever!" Silvia Lozza, FAE Pedagogical Coordinator

"The experience of participating of the group that correts the essays of Read and Think Contest has enabled the academic and also professional growth of our students. Our course supports the initiave and stays open to continue with the partnership." Grammar Course Coordinator – PUC PR.





Cultural and social entities

The project also features cultural partners who develop or support project activities throughout the school year. These are reference institutions and entities in their areas, which incorporate to the project for believing in its proposal, without requiring any counterpart.



Newspaper and Education program of the National Association of Newspapers

Aligned to the WAN-IFRA guidelines; staff training and development programs; benchmark opportunity of national and international practices.

Guaíra Theater

Most traditional cultural space of Paraná, the Guaira Theater, located in Curitiba, lends its two auditoriums for free for the Read and Think events (2300 seats and 500 seats).





Children's Park theater

Art and education course for teachers, theatre and social orientation course for students, production and performances of plays.





Godparent

Sponsors 2014









"To us is a great satisfaction to invest in this project! We see the return to the community, and we realize that the people can change the future!"

Godparents and sponsors

To ensure the necessary resources for its development, in addition to the annual financial contribution made by the newspaper, the project Read and think has funds raised by the sponsors and godparents. They buy subscriptions from the Gazeta do Povo to distribute to teachers and participating schools, donate prizes delivered in the cultural competitions and lend for free places for the major annual events.



Social Godparents 2014

Partnerships

































Social Godparents 2014

Partnerships



Investors Schools 2014

The project also counts with private schools that invest in daily signatures of the newspaper in printed and digital versions. In 2014 we counted with the participation of 6 investors schools.





Stage 03 – Marketing



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General Public disclosure- site e facebook



Website of the Cultural contest Read and think http://www.institutogrpcom.org.br/concurso-ler-e-pensar/







General Public disclosure: printed pieces











General Public disclosure: printed pieces



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-RpvoX-4LGk Institutional Video 2015



For teachers, schools and departments of education, because they understand that disclosing the practices that use the newspaper in the classroom is an efficient way to qualify and acknowledge the work of teachers, the project makes use of several channels of exhibition for this schoolwork.

The main is the BOLO Reading-Oriented Newsletter -biweekly tabloid guide which is also used to publicize good practices with newspaper developed by teachers. The published reports are therefore a great tool to recognize the results obtained and to inspire other teachers and initiatives.

The Newsletter also dedicates space for dissemination of works produced by the students and teachers: "Master tips" and "Straight from School".





Project Activities – for Teachers

Education and Reading Seminar

Held once a year, each Read and Think seminar of Education and Reading mobilizes more than 2,200 professors from all around the State.

Its goal is to offer a moment of cultural learning for teachers participating in the project. To do this, the event includes lectures of educational relevance, artistic presentations and awards to schools and teachers.

In all editions, the workshop has the presence of renowned Brazilian speakers who address topics such as the importance of reading for education, citizenship and development of the nation.

During the annual seminar of Education and Reading, teachers, schools and educational departments that produced the best work and mobilization of the community in the development of activities involving the newspaper at school are also rewarded.







Project activities – for teachers

Cultural Contest: The project takes the moment in which the teachers are invited to go to the Read and Think Seminar and gives awards to the winners of the Cultural Contest. Three cathegories are awarded:

- To teachers Pedagogic Practice Category: rewars the three bests practices made by teachers participants of the project;
- ✓ To schools Mobilization Category: rewards the three schools that are more envolved in mobilize the teachers to use the newspaper in the classroom and to develop diferent practices in Educomunication;
- ✓To the Municipal Department of Education Commitment Category: rewards the three Departments that better envolves the schools, promoting marketing actions and encouraging transforming practices in the cities.



The traditional **Cultural Contest** had the participation of **50 % of the cities and 23% of the schools. Teachers Schools and Departments** 134 papers and 16 rewards



Project activities – for students

Visits to the Gazeta do Povo Facilities

Students, who participate in the Read and Think, participate in various extracurricular activities related to reading the newspaper.

Among them, the visits program to the headquarters of the newspaper Gazeta do Povo. Open for groups of up to 40 students, the visits are weekly (Tuesdays and Thursdays). The script includes a lecture on the newspaper, visit to the Newsroom and to the Graphic.

At the end of the visit, all receive copies of the newspaper and a freebie kit.

Visits to Gazeta do Povo
 48 schools
 218 teachers and 1.268 students







Let's go to the theater

Project activities – for students

Among the cultural activities for students, the most prominent is the annual event "Let's go to the theater," which aims to promote and disseminate culture and citizenship. Part of the annual calendar of the project Read and think, Let's go to the theater is a cultural activity focused on culture, citizenship and formation of audience. Between 2013 and 2014, the initiative opened the doors of the theater for more than 8,000 students from public schools located in 60 municipalities of Paraná.



Cultural Contest: the project takes advantage of the moment in which students are invited to go to the theater and rewards the winners of the Cultural Contest Read and Think. In 2014 the theme was

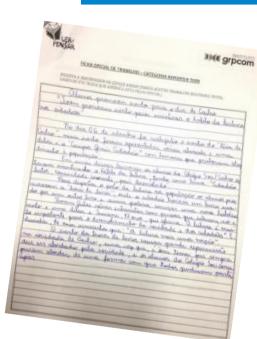
"Conscious choices" and was divided into four categories: Mirim Illustrator, intended for students from 6 to 8 years, rewards the best illustrations made based in another newspaper's article. Mirim Cartoonist, for students from 9 to 10 years old, and chooses the best cartoon. Junior Editor, for students between 12 and 14 years, rewards the best essays produced based on some news published in the newspaper. And the Mirim Reporter category, intended for students from 15 to 17 years, and rewards the best reportage made upon any story ever published in the newspaper.

Project activities – for students



"I think that the people don't need to wait for the Government to make the changes, because they can be the Government and the change. My dream is to be a lawyer and then a judge. I like to read a lot and I think I can help people with my profession"





Some examples of jobs competition









Stage 04 – Evaluation



Evaluation

In the project Read and Think, the evaluation takes place on a regular basis, in five processes that occur in the course of each academic year.

1. Pedagogical follow-up visits to the project's schools:

occur throughout the year, to closely monitor how the project is being developed, mentor teachers and pedagogical teams, and assess the practices carried out by using the newspaper made by children and adolescents.



2. Questionnaire sent to municipal education departments and Regional Education Centers: During the year, two questionnaires are sent to the partner municipal education departments, to evaluate the project, make critics, give suggestions, and show the progress of Read and Think in schools of their municipality. The first questionnaire is sent in the middle of the school year and the second at the end of it. The questionnaires are sent via "Polldaddy" system.

3. Cases (pedagogical practices): the project team monitors the material that are submitted by teachers reporting the activities developed, showing the programmatic content used and the age group of the children who performed the activity. All practices are tuned to work with the use of the newspaper in the classroom.

4. Participation in the annual Cultural Contest: another way to evaluate the project is through the participation of teachers in the Cultural Contest and their practices submitted. The finalists undergo a peer review, composed by masters in education, in which they can show and defend their practices.

5. Annual review with teachers: to maintain the excellence of the project, our concern is constant. This way every year, participating teachers take an evaluation at the end of the school year. There, the general satisfaction indexes, participation in E-LEARNING platform courses, satisfaction regarding the pedagogical advice offered, satisfaction regarding didactic material and specially the satisfaction regarding the relevance of the use of the newspaper as pedagogical resource are measured.

The traditional **Cultural Contest** had the participation of **50 % of the cities and 23% of the schools**

Teachers Schools and Departments 134 papers and 16 awards Students 891 papers and 4 awards

78% of the teachers affirm **to participate of al least one activity** offered by the project during the year.

21% of the 3 thousand participants answered the project's anual research. Statistically, the percentage is excelent and reduces the margin of error to almost 3%.

Evaluation - Engagement

In 2014 we created the teacher's engagement indicator, that measures the involvement of the public in the offered activities.



In its first year measured, the engagement indicator was in **72,4%**





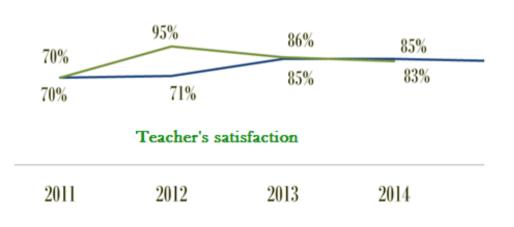
Evaluation - Satisfaction

2012 was a atypical year in wich all the satisfaction rates were over 90%.

In **2013** the favorability remains high and above the goal.

In **2014** we obtained the rate of 83% of satisfaction.





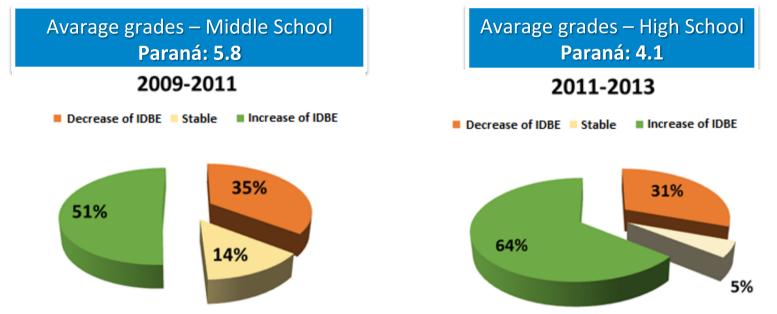
- Goal



- Accomplished

Evaluation - IDEB

96% of the respondents of the Projects Anual Research say that Read and Think can contribute to the growth of the IDBE grades (Index of Development of Basic Education) in their schools.



Out of the total schools participants of Read and Think, around 29% weren't evaluated by IDBE in 2013 because of some MEC (Ministério da Educação e Cultura – Education and Culture Ministry) criteria. The results of private schools are not shared.



Evaluation – Municipal Education Departments

60 partner municipalities

How do you evaluate the relationship with the project's pedagogical team (counsel, communication, guidance e-mails)?





"It is a project of high relevance and consonant with this administration guidance principles that searches the active participation of critical citzens" Gustavo Fruet – Mayor of Curitiba

