

**From:** Smith, Kevin  
**Sent time:** Monday, November 21, 2011 4:32:44 PM  
**To:** Cari Miller (Cari@excelined.org) <Cari@excelined.org>  
**Subject:** FW: You have received a YouTube video!

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FYI – this came in your JRF inbox.

Have a great day!

Sincerely,

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**From:** Jeb Bush [mailto:jeb@jeb.org]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 19, 2011 2:38 PM  
**To:** Mary Laura Bragg  
**Cc:** Miller, Cari  
**Subject:** Re: You have received a YouTube video!

I would appreciate it if you made contact with her.

Jeb

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**From:** Mary Bragg <[marylaurabragg@gmail.com](mailto:marylaurabragg@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Sat, 19 Nov 2011 10:24:41 -0500  
**To:** Jeb Bush <[jeb@jeb.org](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)>  
**Cc:** Cari Miller <[cari.miller@fldoe.org](mailto:cari.miller@fldoe.org)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: You have received a YouTube video!

Hi Governor,

See Cari's info below. Would you like for us to respond to Ms. Dickson?

MLB

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Cari Miller ([Cari@excelined.org](mailto:Cari@excelined.org))" <[Cari@excelined.org](mailto:Cari@excelined.org)>

**Subject: Re: You have received a YouTube video!**

**Date:** November 19, 2011 9:57:13 AM EST

**To:** "[marylaurabragg@gmail.com](mailto:marylaurabragg@gmail.com)" <[marylaurabragg@gmail.com](mailto:marylaurabragg@gmail.com)>

**Reply-To:** "Cari Miller ([Cari@excelined.org](mailto:Cari@excelined.org))" <[Cari@excelined.org](mailto:Cari@excelined.org)>

Just read the report and it was actually a favorable review. It doesn't have a great deal of research support (just lacked a well designed research study) but this is typical for most programs (it is expensive to do a quasi-experimental study). The research they did have had positive results for the most part, but there were mixed results too. The program is based on research (based on 5 areas of reading). Bottom line, this program is allowable for use, which makes me wonder if this district decided that it wouldn't be used in their district.

Enjoy your weekend!  
Cari

Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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**From:** <[marylaurabragg@gmail.com](mailto:marylaurabragg@gmail.com)>

**Date:** Sat, 19 Nov 2011 13:37:17 +0000

**To:** Cari Miller<[cari@excelined.org](mailto:cari@excelined.org)>

**ReplyTo:** <[marylaurabragg@gmail.com](mailto:marylaurabragg@gmail.com)>

**Subject:** Fw: You have received a YouTube video!

Hmmm.

Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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**From:** Jeb Bush <[jeb@jeb.org](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)>

**Date:** Fri, 18 Nov 2011 20:38:34 -0500

**To:** Sue Dickson<[sdickso1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:sdickso1@tampabay.rr.com)>

**Subject:** Re: You have received a YouTube video!

I will look into it. I admire your persistence. I will strive to get an answer to you. I will be the messenger if I can get a response since I am the old guy who a long time ago was governor.

Jeb

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**From:** Sue Dickson <[sdickso1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:sdickso1@tampabay.rr.com)>

**Date:** Thu, 17 Nov 2011 14:47:22 -0500

**To:** Jeb Bush <[jeb@jeb.org](mailto:jeb@jeb.org)>

**Subject:** FW: You have received a YouTube video!

Dear Governor Bush,

I hope this finds you well.

Please, please, watch the You Tube video at the bottom, and tell me why we can't use this reading program in Florida!!! It's not on the state list, and the FCRR wrongly gives it a negative report, but teachers and principals say otherwise, as you will see.

I thought the Republicans would help, and I have supported them forever, but something is wrong. The lieutenants they have appointed have (perhaps unknowingly) been tricked by the enemies of success (the PhD/Doctoral underground whole language advocates) and are causing illiteracy to continue, leaving the kids, especially in poor areas, illiterate, dropping out, and finally filling our prisons. My county, Pinellas, has the largest number of black male dropouts of any county in America, and two police officers were killed by several of them this year. God help us, as it is caused by school failure starting with reading.

Remember when I told you about your summer reading camp leader when you were governor? You sent me to her but she believed the FCRR report so we couldn't use this excellent program to help Florida kids struggling with reading. Please watch this video. What can we do? I can't sue the FCRR, and this is outrageous.

Robert Sweet, author of the No Child left Behind Act, contacted the "PhD guard" at FCRR and told her that "whoever wrote *the negative report about this program and posted it on the FCRR website either had never seen the program or had a bias against it...*and that *the damage to the reputation of this program is incalculable.*" That is true. It didn't change one thing, and the bad report is there today.

I just KNOW you are honest.

Something is WRONG. Please take a look. Please. That's me at the end. I am retired and eighty years old now, but I know we can get America literate. You will know it too.

Listen to these teachers and principals.

Please, please, help us.

My royalty period was over in 2007, so it isn't about money, Governor Bush. It's about getting America literate the fastest and most fun way ever developed. Seven songs and they can read any word. I have spent my life on this, and I can't believe what has happened. When you watch this you will agree that it is an unbelievable story.

Thank you for scrolling down and watching.

My best,

Sue Dickson

Safety Harbor, Florida

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<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UC2kSk9ulfY&sns=em>

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