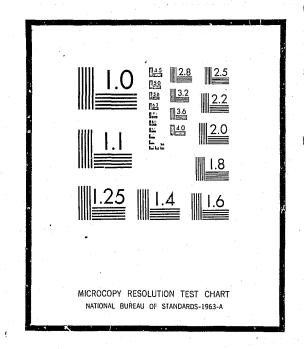
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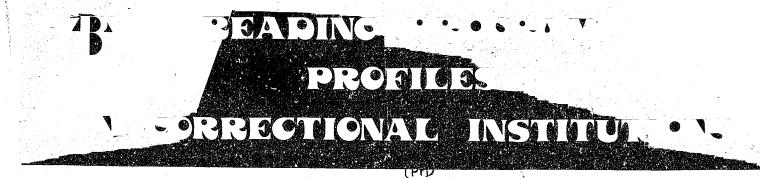
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GLEN MILLS SCHOOL

HIGHLIGHTS:

Flexible Classroom
Title I Funds Tutoring

PROGRAM NARRATIVE

When a young man arrives at Glen Mills he is given physical, psychological and academic tests (see Assessment section) to place him in an educational program. When an approximate academic level has been determined, the student is given the appropriate Metropolitan test. This, with additional information from the student, determines his reading and math level. The reading specialist then devises an academic program for each student. Students are placed in small group instruction in a Learning Laboratory if their placement levels are 3.5 or below. Tapes, filmstrips and movies are available for use as programmed instruction in the learning lab. Many of these materials have been purchased with Title I funds from HEW.

Those students whose reading levels are 2.0 or below and some above 2.0 with special problems, are tutored. Phonics is the area of emphasis though staff also employ linguistic and language experience methods.

Comprehension is not emphasized until a student is on the third grade level. Constant attention is given to vocabulary building. Instruction time is kept to hour periods or less.

Flexible Classroom

The Glen Mills staff feels that the flexible classroom has been most workable for their learning situation. The classrooms are informally furnished with moveable desks so that students can be grouped around

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a table or can be separated around the room, depending on the learning activity. Both food purchasing and field trips have been used as incentives in academic as well as behavioral progress.

Tutors - Title I Funds

Several years ago an administrator at Glen Mills obtained federal funding through Title I grants which were used for purchase of movies, tapes and filmstrips, plus some incentives and awards. Today, Title I funds are used to pay tutors from a nearby college. The tutors are given in-service training and work with students who have remedial reading problems.

The Glen Mills reading staff has found that a large percentage of the disabilities of their students are caused by cultural and social disadvantages. Therefore, each student is not asked to fit into the academic program, but the academic program "fits" or is prescribed for the student's needs. The underlying objective and atmosphere of the learning situation at Glen Mills is to give students a better self image and to prove to each that he can learn.

ASSESSMENT TOOLS USED

Gates-McKillop Diagnostic Oral

Reading Test

Columbia University Press

Columbia State Teacher's College

New York, New York

Metropolitan Achievement

Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc.

757 Third Avenue New York, New York

Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test

American Guidance Service, Inc.

Publishsr's Bldg.

Circle Pines, Minn. 55014

READING MATERIALS USED

*Action and Double Action Series

Scholastic Magazines, Inc.

Englewood Cliffs, N. J. 07632

Phoenix Reading Series

Prentice-Hall, Inc.

Englewood Cliffs, N. J. 07632

Go Series

Educational Developmental Labs

Div. of McGraw-Hill Book Co. New York, New York 10020

* Phonics is Fun

Modern Curriculum Press, Inc.

Cleveland, Ohio

The Mott Basic Language Skills

Program

Allied Education Council

P. O. Box 78

Galien, Michigan 49113

*Dr. Spello

McGraw-Hill, Inc.

1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10020

Reader's Digest

Reader's Digest Services, Inc.

Educational Division

Pleasantville, N. Y. 10570

^{*} Note: Reading material reported by Glen Mills Staff to be High Interest-Low Level

Reading Materials Used (contd.)

The Macmillan Co. Bank Street Readers 866 Third Avenue

New York, New York 10022

(Gifted Teachers Books, Inc.) Photo-Phonics

Oddo Publishing, Inc. Storybook Acres

Beauregard Boulevard

Fayetteville, Georgia 30214

Barnell Loft, Ltd. *Specific Skill Series

Rockville Centre,

New York

Science Research Associates, Inc. *Getting It Together

259 East Erie Street Chicago, Illinois 60611

Individualized Instruction, Inc. * Reach

Div. of the Economy Company

P. O. Box 25308 1901 North Walnut

Oklahoma, City, Oklahoma 73125

Field Educational Publications *The Checkered Flag Series

Berkeley Heights, New Jersey

New Dimensions in Education *The Name of the Game

Grolier Educational Corporation * Reading

845 Third Avenue

New York, New York 10022

New Readers Press New Streamlined English Series

Box 131

Syracuse, New York 13210

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INSTITUTIONAL DATA

Contact Person

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Glen Mills Schools

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Type of Institution

Private, Minimum Security, Juvenile Male

Total Inmates

Up to 90

Students in Reading Program:

35 (variable)

Mean of Reading Level

2.8

Attendance in Reading

Program

Mandatory

Hours per Week in Reading:

5 hours

Size of Instructional Groups:

Not more than five students

Cost per Student per Year

(for reading program)

\$1,000

Reading Staff

One Reading Specialist

Four Teachers

Two Teacher Aides

Two Tutors

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