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VI. Presentations

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- Briggs, R. N., & Wheeler, C. E. (2009, February). *From one CBM to another: Comparing scores across measures*. Participant information exchange session presented at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, Boston, MA.
- Castillo, J. M., & Powell-Smith, K. A. (2005, March). *Predicting outcomes on statewide reading assessments*. Poster presented at the National Association of School Psychology Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA.
- Cummings, K. D. (2006, November). *Research and theory into practice: Project PASS*. Paper presented at the Oregon RTI Summit, Eugene, OR.
- Cummings, K. D., & Atkins, T. A. (2007, March). *Project PASS: Predicting and achieving school success*. Paper presented at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, New York.

- Cummings, K. D., Good, R. H., III, Powell-Smith, K. A., Baker, S. K., Smolkowski, K., & Atkins, T. (2008, February). *ROC done right: Examining the decision utility of educational measures*. Panel presentation at the Annual Pacific Coast Research Conference, Coronado, CA.
- Cummings, K. D., Kaminski, R. A., & O'Neil, M. (2008, March). *Assessment of student vocabulary development: A general outcome measurement approach*. Poster presented at the British Association of Dyslexia, Harrogate, Yorkshire, UK.
- Good, R. H., III, Kaminski, R. A., & Powell-Smith, K. A. (2011, February). *The robust beauty of DIBELS composite scores: Homage to Robyn Dawes*. Poster presented at the nineteenth annual Pacific Coast Research Conference (PCRC), Coronado, California.
- Good, R. H., III, Powell-Smith, K. A., & Atkins, T. (2010, February). *Real problems and potential solutions for oral reading fluency progress monitoring*. Presentation at the eighteenth annual Pacific Coast Research Conference (PCRC), Coronado, California.
- Good, R. H., Powell-Smith, K. A., & Dewey, E. N. (2013, February). *DIBELS Pathways of Progress: Setting Ambitious, Meaningful, and Attainable Goals in Grade Level Material*. Paper presented at the annual Pacific Coast Research Conference (PCRC), Coronado, California.
- Good, R. H., III, Powell-Smith, K. A., & Kaminski, R. A. (2011, February). *Developing benchmark goals and cut points for risk: Odds of achieving subsequent reading goals*. Presentation at the nineteenth annual Pacific Coast Research Conference (PCRC), Coronado, California.
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- Howard, P., Powell-Smith, K. A., & Torgesen, J. (2004, March). *Statewide implementation of DIBELS in Florida: Advanced strategies for maximizing success*. Paper presented at the DIBELS Summit 2004: Leadership, Research, & Advanced Implementation, Albuquerque, NM.
- Hudson, R., Connor, C., Radach, R., & Powell-Smith, K. A. (2006, February). *Individual differences in the reading fluency of children and their instructional implications*. Paper presented at the Annual Pacific Coast Research Conference, Coronado, CA.
- Kaminski, R. A., & Cummings, K. D. (2008, March) *Linking assessment to instruction: Using Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills in an outcomes-driven model*. Poster presented at the British Association of Dyslexia, Harrogate, Yorkshire, UK.

- Kaminski, R. A., Cummings, K. D., Powell-Smith, K. A., & MacConnell, K. (2008, March). *Using DIBELS for progress monitoring and evaluating response to intervention in an outcomes-driven model*. Workshop presented at the California Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, Burlingame, CA.
- Kaminski, R. A., & Wheeler, C. E. (2013, March) *Research and development of a general outcomes measure of vocabulary*. Paper presented at the National Association of School Psychologists' Annual Convention, Seattle, WA.
- Laugle, K., Briggs, R., Nelson, N., Siler, C., & Wheeler, C. E. (2008, February). Poster presented at the Annual DIBELS Summit, Santa Ana Pueblo, NM.
- MacConnell, K., & Kaminski, R. A. (2011, November). *Implementing Effective Literacy Programs, Grades 1-5: One School's Journey*. Paper presented at the Association of American Schools in South America Annual Latin America Administrator's Conference 2011, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Powell-Smith, K. A. (2002, April). *The use of Curriculum-Based Measurement and Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills for alternate assessment: An introduction*. Paper presented at the Alternative Assessment and IDEA: Exploring Best Practice Conference, Tampa, FL.
- Powell-Smith, K. A., Atkins, T., Good, R. H., III, & Wallin, J. (2010, March). *Write of passage: The next generation of reading progress monitoring*. Paper presentation at the National Association of School Psychologists' Annual Convention, Chicago, IL.
- Powell-Smith, K. A., Bradley-Klug, K. L., Howard, P., Gallaher, P., Rush, M., & Graney, S. (2002, February). *Florida's statewide implementation of Curriculum-Based Measurement and Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills: An update*. Miniskills workshop presented at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, Chicago.
- Powell-Smith, K. A., & Cummings, K. D. (2007, February). *What's PSF got to do with it? A look at the contribution of DIBELS Phoneme Segmentation Fluency to first grade reading outcomes*. Poster presented at the Annual Pacific Coast Research Conference, San Diego, CA.
- Powell-Smith, K. A., Good, R. H., III, Habedank Stewart, L., & Dewey, E. N. (2011, March). *What is Next for benchmark goals?* Paper presented at the National Association of School Psychologists' Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
- Powell-Smith, K. A., & Kaminski, R. A. (2008, February). *The development of brief reading diagnostic tools linked to DIBELS*. Paper presented at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA.
- Powell-Smith, K. A., & Kaminski, R. A. (2010, March). Instructionally relevant assessment: Further development of brief reading diagnostic tools. Paper presentation at the National Association of School Psychologists' Annual Convention, Chicago, IL.
- Powell-Smith, K. A., Kaminski, R. A., & Cummings, K. D. (2008, March). *DIBELS Deep brief reading diagnostic tools: Development and validation*. Paper presented at the Annual DIBELS Summit, Santa Ana Pueblo, NM.
- Powell-Smith, K. A., Kaminski, R. A., Good, R. H., III, & Wallin, J. (2011, March). *Instructional decision making Using DIBELS Next Survey*. Mini-skills presentation at the National Association of School Psychologists' Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.

- Sanford, A. K., Gerard, V. A., Potter, J. B., & Cummings, K. D. (2006, March). *CSI Anaheim: Solving the reading instruction puzzle Using DIBELS*. Symposium presented at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, Anaheim, CA.
- Torgesen, J., Howard, P., Winterbottom, R., & Powell-Smith, K. A. (2005, March). *Statewide implementation of DIBELS in Florida*. Presentation at the Annual DIBELS Summit, Santa Ana Pueblo, NM.
- Wheeler, C. E. (2007, March). *Implications of reading assessments: DRA, DIBELS, and the TerraNova 2nd edition*. Poster presentation at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, New York City, NY.
- Wheeler, C. E., & Good, R. H. (2010, March). *Reliability of selected school-based indices of adequate reading progress*. Paper presentation at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, Chicago, IL.
- Wheeler, C. E., Nelson, N. J., & Briggs, R. N. (2009, February). *Measuring the alphabetic principle: Predictive and concurrent validity*. Poster presentation at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, Boston, MA.

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- Briggs, R. N. (2011). *Investigating variability in student performance on DIBELS oral reading fluency third grade progress monitoring probes: Possible contributing factors*. Unpublished doctoral dissertation, University of Oregon, Eugene.
- Castillo, J., & Powell-Smith, K. A. *The predictive validity of three reading fluency measures on a state's "High-Stakes" outcome assessment*. Manuscript in preparation.
- Castillo, J., Torgesen, J., Powell-Smith, K. A., & Al Otaiba, S. (2006). *Relationships of four different reading fluency measures to reading comprehension in first through third grade*.
- Cook, R. G. (2003). *The utility of DIBELS as a curriculum based measurement in relation to reading proficiency on high stakes tests*. Unpublished master's thesis, Marshall University Graduate College, Huntington, WV.
- Coyne-Martinson, P. A. (1999). *Assessing the prereading language development of kindergarten students: The reliability, validity, and sensitivity of basic language assessment story tasks as dynamic indicators of basic early literacy skills*. Unpublished doctoral dissertation, University of Oregon, Eugene.
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- Gale, D. (2006). *The effect of computer-delivered phonological awareness training on the early literacy skills of students identified as at-risk for reading failure*. Unpublished educational specialist thesis, University of South Florida, Tampa.
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