

**Washington Township Public Schools**

**Sewell, NJ**

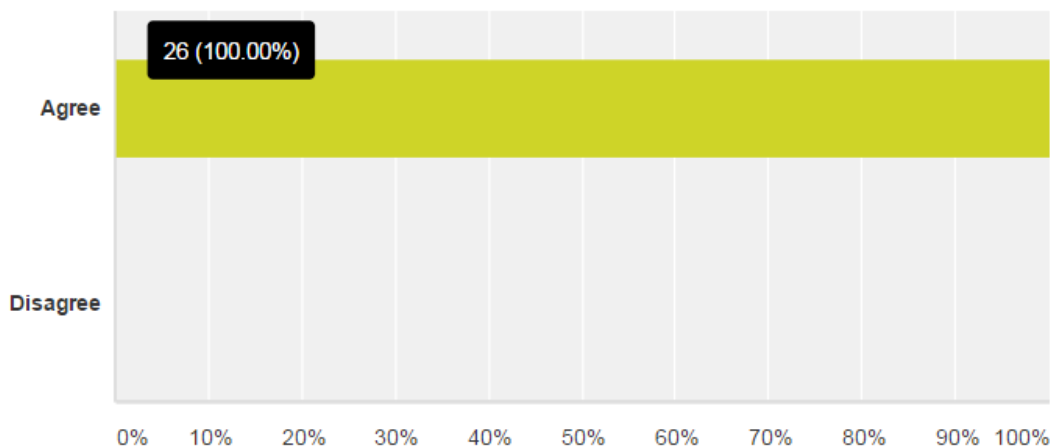
**Melissa Barnett, English Department Supervisor Grades 6-12**

- **Data driven PD provided by Mary Ellen Ledbetter focused on Writing**
- **WHY use Mary Ellen to provide ELA Professional Development for our district?**
  - o Student assessment data shows significant weakness in all genres of writing
  - o Student sample writing analysis revealed specific areas in need of growth
  - o Teachers teaching a newly integrated ELA curriculum
  - o Many teachers have never taught genre writing
- **PD Provided by Mary Ellen**
  - o Focus on genre writing (modes), voice, and methods of elaboration
  - o Teachers given comprehensive handbook and resources to implement in their instruction
  - o ½ day demo lessons and grade level PLC meetings as a follow up to workshop
- **Looking ahead**
  - o Teachers love their new strategies and what the students are beginning to produce
  - o ELA teachers are wanting more...specifically geared towards writing in response to reading, argumentative essays, and on demand/test taking strategies for writing.
  - o Content area teacher PD – Equipping Science and Social Studies teachers with a toolbox to integrate writing within their content areas.

**Data from Survey**

**I am able to begin implementing new strategies I have learned from this training.**

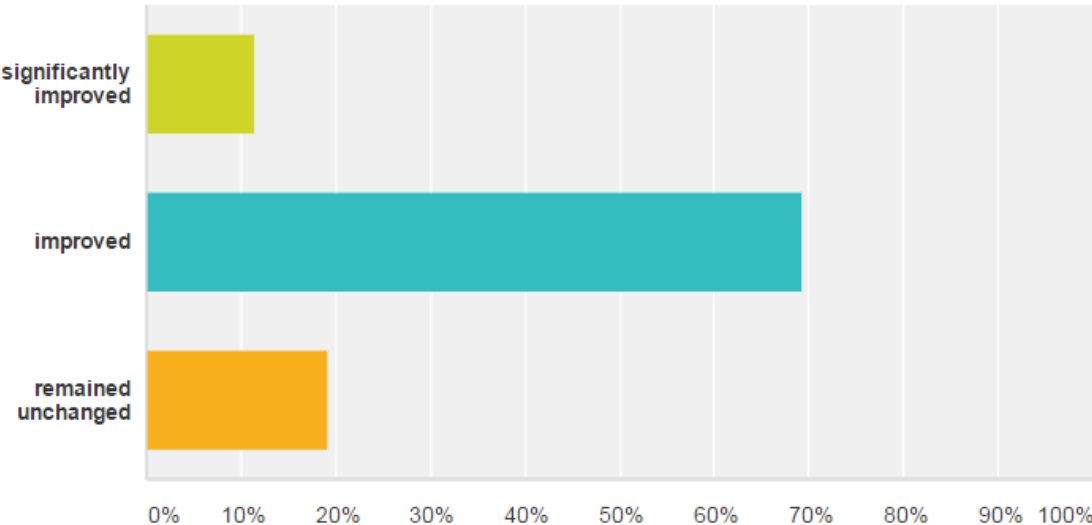
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Answer Choices	Responses
Agree	100.00% 26
Disagree	0.00% 0

# As a result of this training, my professional knowledge of teaching writing has:

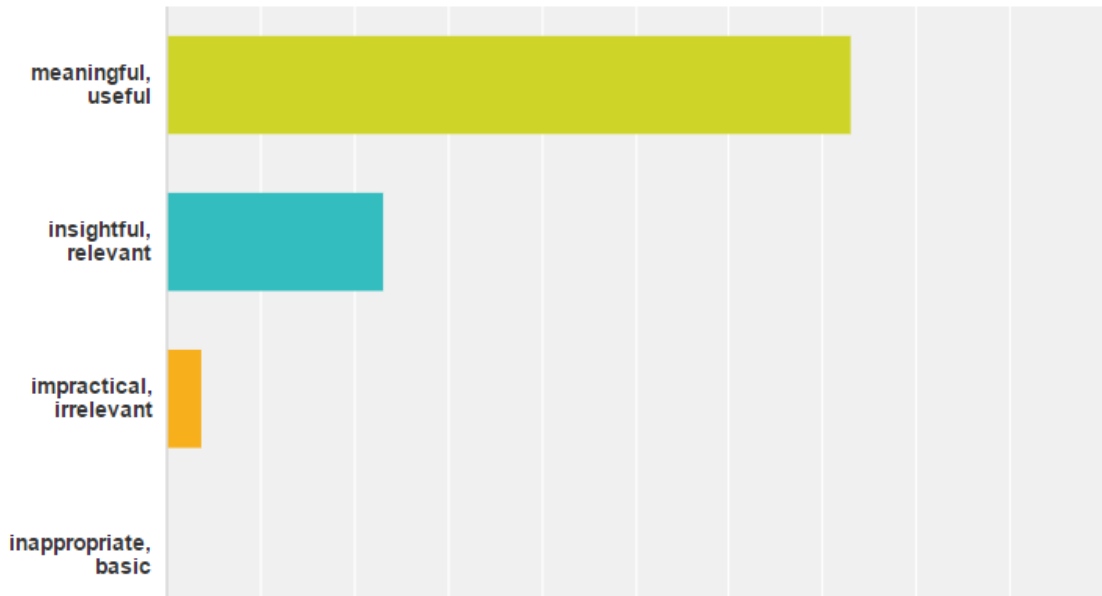
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Answer Choices	Responses
significantly improved	11.54% 3
improved	69.23% 18

Select the most suitable word set that would describe your experiences during the writing training and demo lessons provided by Mary Ellen Ledbetter.

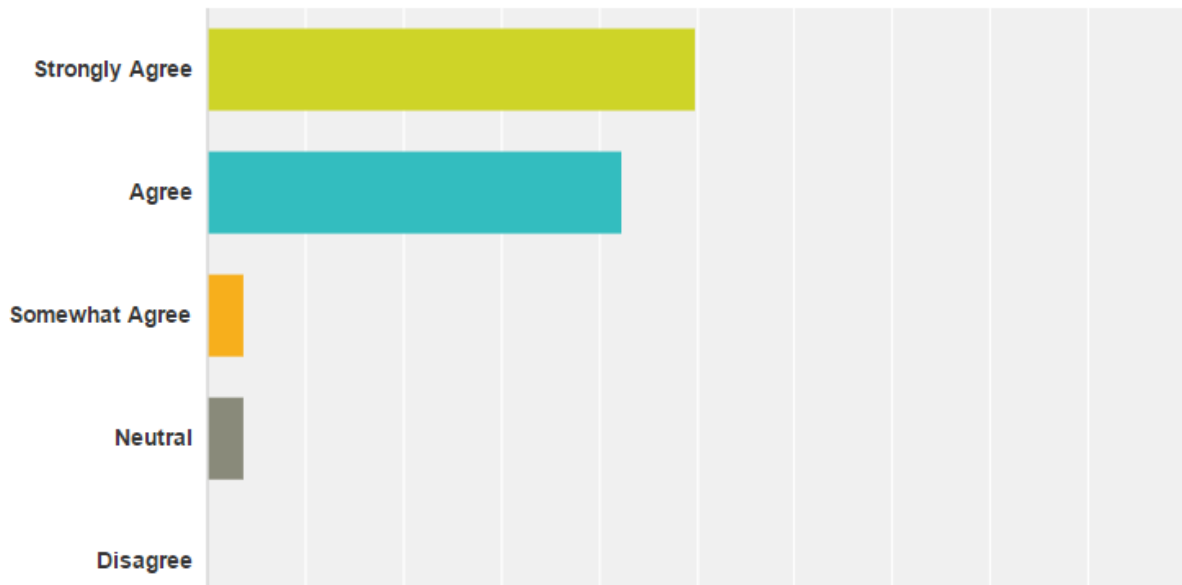
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Answer Choices	Responses
▼ meaningful, useful	73.08% 19
▼ insightful, relevant	23.08% 6
▼ impractical, irrelevant	3.85% 1
▼ inappropriate, basic	0.00% 0
Total	26

# Mary Ellen Ledbetter provided research-based, practical training in writing instruction.

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Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly Agree	50.00% 13
Agree	42.31% 11
Somewhat Agree	3.85% 1
Neutral	3.85% 1
Disagree	0.00% 0
Strongly Disagree	0.00% 0
Total	26