Vision therapy has improved her attitude and she is a more happy, confident & loving kid

Early on, preschool, kindergarten and into 1st grade, Hanna excelled in school academically and socially. Teachers always had good things to say about her. During second grade we noticed that she increasingly struggled to learn the materials. In the 3rd grade, Hanna's grades dropped significantly. Most evenings doing homework took 2-3 hours. It usually included crying, bad temper and yelling. I can't tell you how many tear stained assignments she turned in. We tried tutors and after school programs for her over the next year or so but did not see a significant improvement.

One weekend Hanna visited her grandmother, a learning disabilities teacher. While reading some books, she noticed that Hanna's eyes were not tracking across the pages properly and brought it to our attention. She told us about Dr. Joan and suggested that we make an appointment to meet with her, so we did. The evaluation showed obvious deficiencies in some areas. We decided to proceed with the recommended therapy.

We thought it would be tough to find a time to fit the sessions into our already busy schedules, but found that it really wasn't too bad. We are generally pretty early risers so we opted for the 7:00 am sessions. This time slot allowed us to complete the session and still make it to school on time. It only required minor adjustment to work schedules. After a few sessions, Rebecca confirmed that morning was a good time for Hanna. She was well rested and responded to the exercises. I expected some resistance from Hanna, but after we got into the routine I think she looked forward to her morning sessions.

Hanna's therapy began a couple of weeks before the end of her 4th grade school year, went through summer vacation and a couple of months into her 5th grade year. Reading assessments showed an almost 2 year jump in reading ability from the end of 4th grade to the beginning of 5th grade. Her grades improved across the board. Homework is no longer a problem. She finishes most on her own without needing to be asked. Overall, Hanna's attitude has improved and she is a more happy, confident and loving kid.

-Scot and Mandy