ABSTRACT

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The aim of this research is to improve Students Writing Ability By Applying Whatsapp Group Application and know howt he classroom situation when Improving Students Writing Ability By Applying Whatsapp Group Application. This research is a classroom action research which was held at SMPN 8 Metro for the 2020/2021 academic year.

The subjects of the study were eighth grade students totaling 22 students. The research was conducted in two cycles. The criteria for learning success is that if the student's have big interest and motivation in learning writing based on whatsapp group and get a minimum standard of 75 as KKM. In collecting data, researchers used interviews, observations, and tests. In analyzing the data, the researcher used descriptive statistics.

The test result showed that the average score gained by the students in the pre-cycle test was the students who got score ≥ 75 were 5 students (21.88%), otherwise 17 students (63.64%) were under achievement students. Then, the students who got score ≥ 75 in post test of cycle 1 were 63.64% or 14 students while 36.36% or 8 students got score < 75. Furthermore, in post test of cycle 2 result all the students (100%) got score ≥ 75 . Furthermore, the classroom situation before the treatment was classified into low category with the mean score of 56.00 or . Then, the students' activity after the treatment in cycle I increase significantly with the mean score of 64 and 16 active students (72.72%). Furthermore, the average of score on cycle 2 is classified into high category with the mean score of 80 and19 active students (86.36%).

Based on the findings, it can be concluded that whatsapp group is an exsellent to improve students' writing skill. Therefore, it is recommended that can be used in teaching writing.