

Multi-Tiered System of Supports

Student Intervention Services



Vision

To create a world-class educational system that gives students the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce, and to flourish as parents and citizens

Mission

To provide leadership through the development of policy and accountability systems so that all students are prepared to compete in the global community

State Board of Education Goals

5-Year Strategic Plan for 2016-2020

- ✓ All Students Proficient and Showing Growth in All Assessed Areas
- ✓ Every Student Graduates High School and is Ready for College and Career
- ✓ Every Child Has Access to a High-Quality Early Childhood Program
- ✓ Every School Has Effective Teachers and Leaders
- ✓ Every Community Effectively Using a World-Class Data System to Improve Student Outcomes

Office of Student Intervention Services

Established February 2015



Multi Tiered System of Supports

MDE Established the Office of Intervention Services to:
successfully implement and sustain a Multi-Tiered System of Supports,
accelerate and maximize student academic and behavioral outcomes
through the application of collaborative data-based problem solving
utilized by effective leadership at all levels of the educational system,
coordinate the implementation of policies and procedures related to
State Board Policy 4300,

Multi-Tiered System of Supports

MDE Established the Office of Intervention Services to:
provide professional development on “Multi-Tiered System of Support” for school based teams, administrators, staff, parents, and agencies,
offer guidance on appropriate intervention, data collection, data-based decision making, evaluation, and progress monitoring for students in need of supplementary intensive academic and behavioral supports in order to ensure all students graduate high school college and career ready.

Recruitment Update

Secured personnel to support the districts, schools, and teachers with the implementation of a Multi-Tiered System of Supports for academic and behavior interventions as well as the collection of data for ALL student populations

Bobby Richardson: General Rtl

Laurie Weathersby Elementary Education and Reading

Secondary Support Staff: Vacant

Gifted Education: Jen

Revising the Process

Response to Intervention/Multi-Tiered System of Supports



Terminology: Making the Shift

Three Tier Instructional Model: State Board Policy 4300

designed to meet the needs of every student and consist of three tiers of instruction

Consist of Tier I, Tier II, and Tier III

Response to Intervention (Rti)

focuses on students who are struggling and provides a framework for collaborative data-based decision making to strengthen student performances

Multi Tiered System of Supports

Integration of Rtl for academics and Rtl for behavior into a unified model that recognizes the reciprocal influence academic performance and social/emotional/behavior have on each other

Focuses on all students in education contexts

Systematically addresses supports for all students in education contexts

Multi Tiered System of Supports

Focuses on aligning the entire system of initiatives, supports, and resources

Promotes district participation in identifying and supporting systems for alignment of resources as well as site and grade level

Enables a paradigm shift for providing supports and setting higher expectations for all students through intentional design and redesign of integrated services and supports, rather than selection of a few components of RtI and intensive intervention

Multi Tiered System of Supports

Endorses Universal Design for Learning instructional strategies so ALL students have the opportunity for learning through differentiated content, processes, and product.

Integrates instructional and intervention support so that systematic changes are sustainable and based on CCRS-aligned classroom instruction

Challenges all school staff to change the way in which they have been typically working across the school system

MTSS Similarities to RtI

MTSS incorporates many of the same components of RtI

Supports high-quality standards and research-based, culturally and linguistically relevant instruction with the belief that **ALL** students can learn, including students of:

Poverty

Disabilities

English Language Learners (ELL)

All ethnicities

MTSS Similarities to Rtl

MTSS incorporates many of the same components of Rtl
Integrates a data collection and assessment system, including universal screening, diagnostic and progress monitoring, to inform decisions appropriate for each tier of service delivery

Relies on a problem-solving systems process and method to identify problems, develop interventions, and evaluate the effectiveness of the intervention in a multi-tiered system of supports

MTSS Similarities to Rtl

MTSS incorporates many of the same components of Rtl
Seeks and implements appropriate research-based interventions for improving student learning

Utilizes school-wide and classroom research-based positive behavioral supports for achieving important social and learning outcomes

Implements a collaborative approach to analyze student data and working together in the intervention process

Implementing Multi-Tiered System of Supports



Being prevention oriented: knowing who needs support as early as possible each year and putting those supports in place

Implementing evidenced based interventions for all students and tailoring interventions based on student's needs.

Using progress monitoring data to know when to make changes in instruction

MTSS: What Does it Take

Leadership

Professional Development

High Quality Core Curriculum Assessment and Instruction

Empowering Culture

Common Language about MTSS

Shared Vision

Staff Support

Acceptance of Principles/Practices

Phases of Creating Your Blueprint

- Building Support
- Develop a Plan
- Implement Your Plan
- Evaluate Effectiveness
- Sustainability

Multi-Tiered System Of Supports

April 28, 2015	Rtl Taskforce Convened	Stakeholders Identified the challenges and potential resolutions and recommendations for the Rtl process
June 9, 2015	Taskforce reviewed electronic documents	Taskforce reviewed and made recommendations to the documents that were developed based on feedback: Quick Reference Guide, Rtl Flow-Chart, and MTSS Documentation Packet
June 12, 2015	Taskforce reviewed electronic documents	Taskforce reviewed and made recommendations to the documents that were developed based on feedback: Rtl Parent Guide Glossary of Terms, and Rtl one-pager
July 9, 2015	Taskforce convened	Taskforce reviewed the changes made recommended additional points of clarification needed to all documents
August, 2015	MDE internal reviews and comments	MDE offices reviewed documents to ensure consistency with language and processes
September 2015	Revising documents	Currently making the final edits to all documents and expect to release in November.

State Board Policy 4300

September 2015



State Board Policy 4300

State Board Policy 4300 was adopted January 21, 2005 and (Revised September, 2015)

1. The Mississippi Department of Education shall require every school district to follow the instructional model which consist of (3) three tiers of instruction:

Tier 1: Quality classroom instruction based on Curriculum Frameworks

Tier 2: Focused supplemental instruction

Tier 3: Intensive interventions specifically designed to meet the individual needs of students

State Board Policy 4300: Addition

A dyslexia screener must be administered to all students during the spring of their kindergarten year and the fall of their first grade year. The screening must include the following components:

Phonological awareness and phonemic awareness;

Sound symbol recognition;

Alphabet knowledge;

Decoding skills;

Encoding skills; and

Rapid naming (quickly naming objects, pictures, colors, or symbols (letters or digits) aloud).

Site with a sample screener: msdta.org

State Board Policy 4300: Change

All students in Kindergarten and grades 1 through 3 shall ~~may~~ be administered a state- approved screener within the first 30 days of school and repeated at mid-year and at the end of the school year to identify any deficiencies in reading. In addition to failure to make adequate progress following Tier 1 and Tier 2, students will be referred to the TST for interventions as specified in Response to Intervention guidelines developed by MDE if any of the following events occur:

State Board Policy 4300

Failure to make adequate progress following Tier 1 and Tier II, students will be referred to the TST if any of the following events occur:

1. Grades 1–3: A student has failed one (1) grade;
2. Grades 4–12: A student has failed two (2) grades;
3. A student failed either of the preceding two (2) grades and has been suspended or expelled for more than twenty (20) days in the current school year; or
4. A student scores at the Minimal level on any part of the Grade 3 or Grade 7 Mississippi statewide accountability system,
5. A student is promoted from grade 3 to 4 under a good cause exemption of the Literacy Based Promotion Act.

State Board Policy 4300

After referral, the TST must develop and begin implementation of an interventions within two weeks.

TST Review

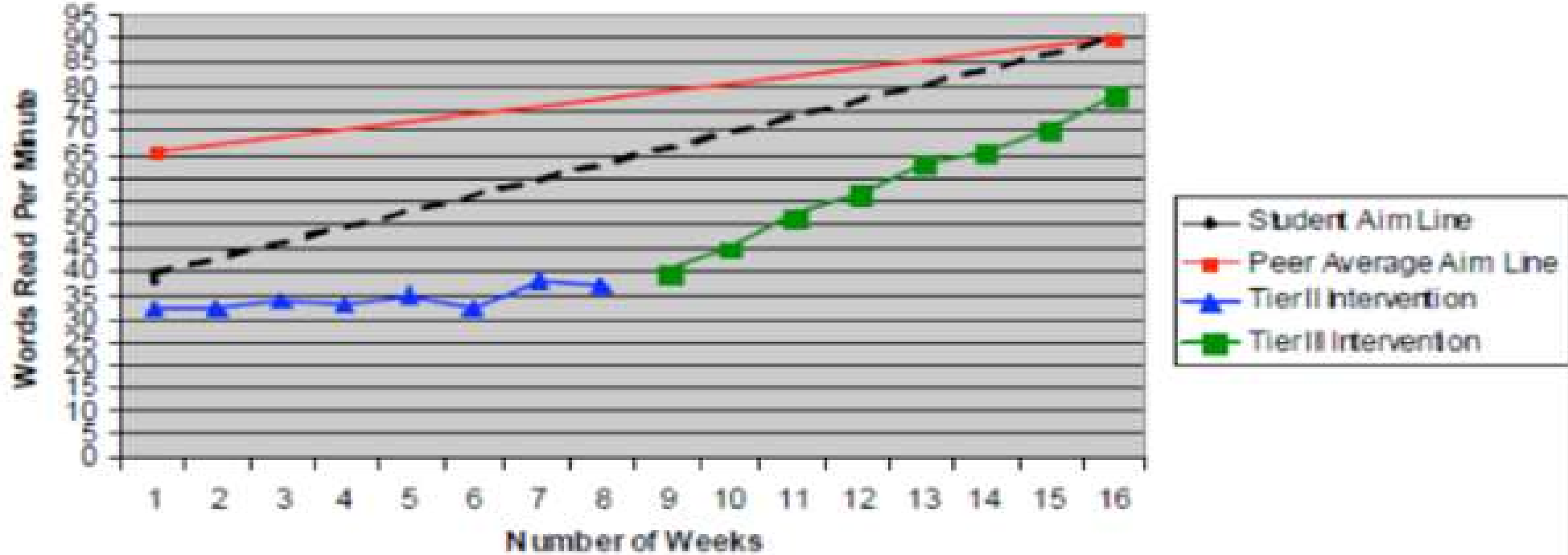
1st Review – No later than 8 weeks (determine success of intervention)

2nd Review – No later than 16 weeks (determine success of intervention)

If the intervention is unsuccessful, then the student will be referred for a comprehensive assessment.

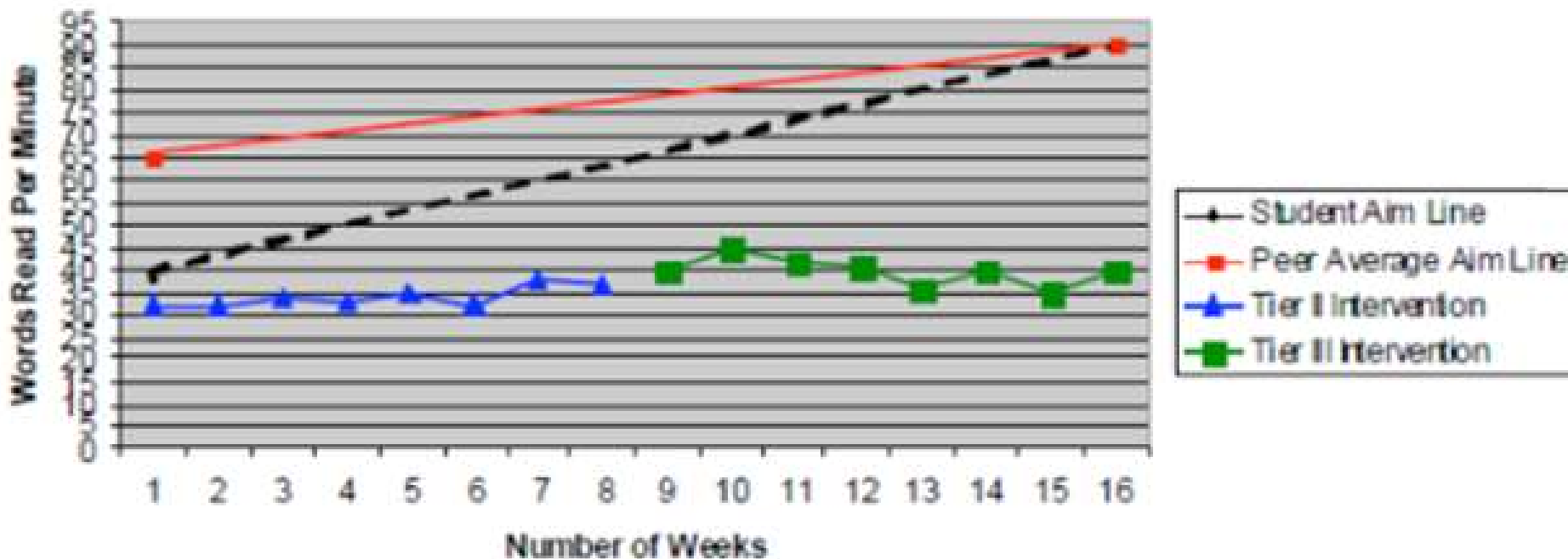
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In accordance with the Literacy-Based Promotion Act of 2013, each student who exhibits a substantial deficiency in reading at any time, as demonstrated through:

performance on reading screener approved or developed by MDE, or through locally determined assessments and teacher observations conducted in Kindergarten and grades 1 through 3, or through statewide end-of-year assessments or approved alternate yearly assessments in Grade 3,

must be given intensive reading instruction and intervention immediately following the identification of the reading deficiency.

Interventions for Students with Good Cause Exemptions

A student who is promoted to Fourth Grade with a good cause exemption shall be provided:

intensive reading instruction and intervention informed by specialized diagnostic information and delivered through specific reading strategies to meet the needs of each student so promoted.



Retained Third Graders

Third graders who are retained who fail to pass the 3rd grade summative assessment and do not qualify for a good cause exemption must be provided:

Intensive instructional services

Progress monitoring

90 minutes of researched based reading instruction in the five components of reading

Process Standard 20

Process Standard 20 was approved for revisions to ensure that we address the following requirements:

- Literacy Based Promotion Act
- State Board Policy 4300

Standard 20

20. The school district meets the following instructional management requirements {MS Code 37-3-49(2)(a-c) and 37-3-49(5)} (SB Policy 4300):

20.1 The school district implements an instructional management system that has been adopted by the school board and includes, at a minimum, the competencies and objectives required in the curriculum frameworks approved by the State Board of Education that are available to all teachers in each school.

20.2 The instructional management system includes a tiered instructional model in accordance with State Board of Education Policy 4300, including academic interventions, behavioral interventions, and Literacy-Based Promotion Act requirements.

Note: Districts Meeting the Highest Level of Performance is defined as A and Performance Classifications.

Standard 20 Compliance Questions

- a. Has the instructional management system been approved by the local school board? Date approved by the local school board? _____
- b. Does the instructional management system include the competencies required in the curriculum frameworks approved by the State Board of Education as well as suggested teaching strategies, assessment strategies resources and supports available to teachers for selection and use in teaching the required competencies?
- c. Does the instructional management system include a tiered instructional model that provides teachers with the necessary supports and strategies to incorporate academic and behavioral interventions as well as the requirements of the Literacy-Based Promotion Act?

Student Intervention Services

New Resources





2015-2016 New Resources

RtI Flow-Chart

Multi-Tiered System of Supports Documentation Packet

RtI Quick Reference Guide

Links to RtI Resources

Parent Family Guide to RtI (coming soon)

English Language Learners

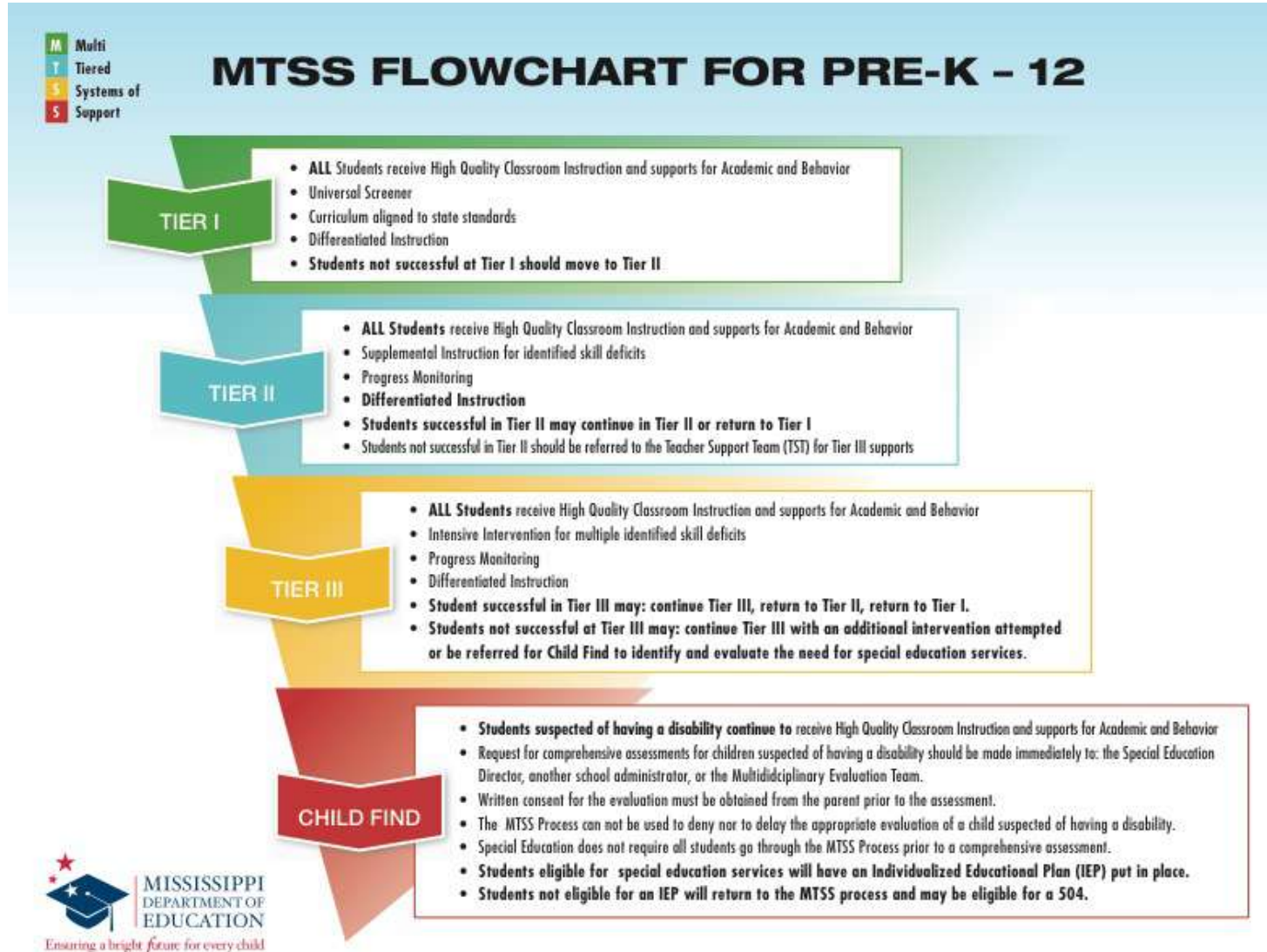
Classroom Teacher Manual

Administrator Resource Manual

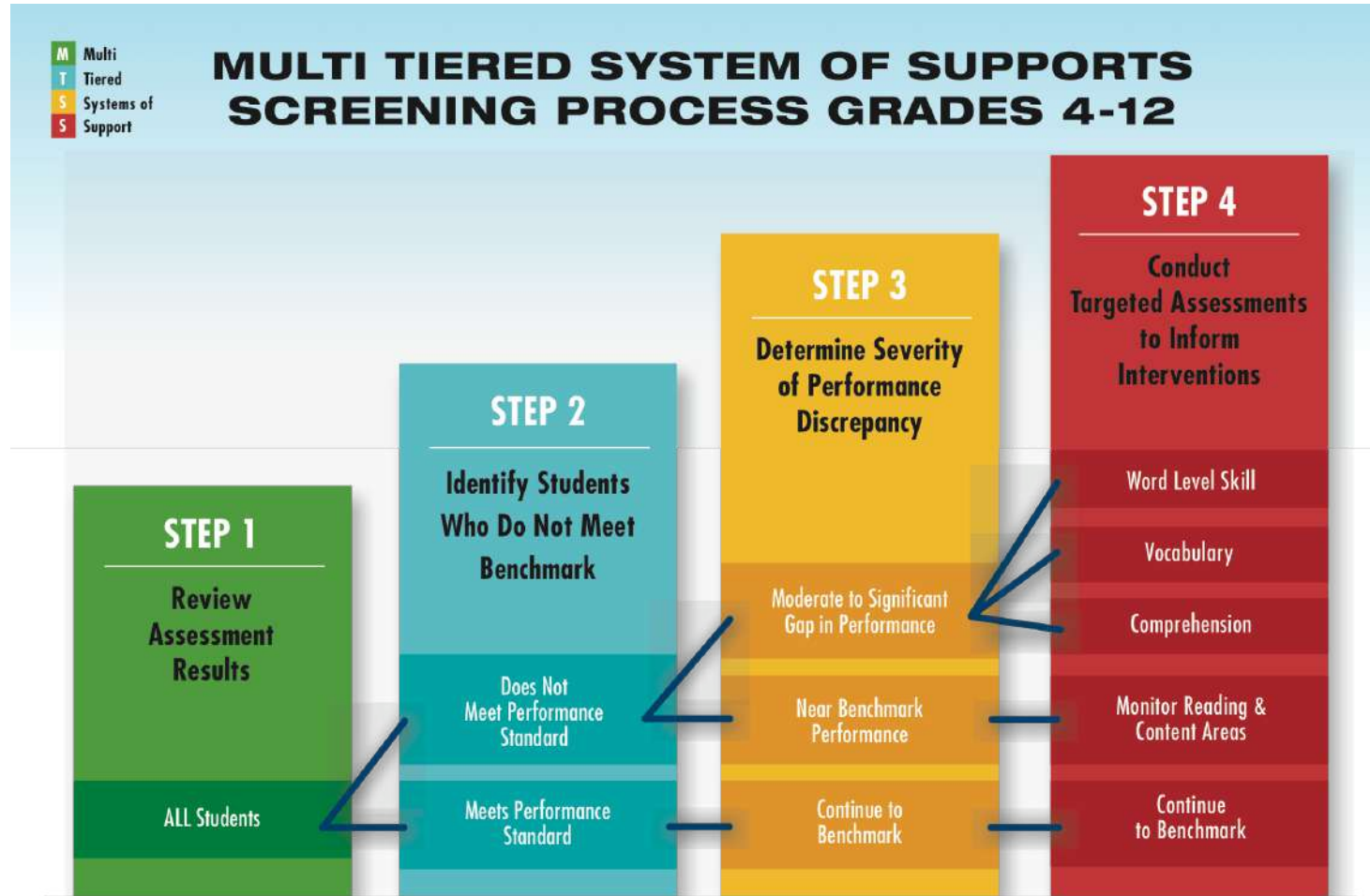
RtI Resource Manual



MTSS Flow Chart for Pre-K - 12



MTSS Screening Process 4 - 12



Utilize existing data from the following assessments to identify students needing additional support:

State Assessments
State Aligned Benchmark Assessments
Curriculum Based Measures

Oral Reading Fluency Measures
Maze Measures
Behavior

GPA
Past Curriculum Performance



Multi-Tiered System of Supports Documentation Packet



Intervention Services
Office of Elementary Education and Reading
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The all Inclusive Intervention Documentation Packet was developed to:

Assist districts, schools, and educators with the process of implementing and documenting interventions for **ALL** students

Provides the means to collect data to improve Pre-K – 12 student outcomes

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Recommendations are included for districts, schools, and teachers in selecting the appropriate forms needed to document Pre-K – 12 intervention:

Tier 1 High Quality Classroom Instruction

General Education Students Tier II

General Education Students Tier III

Special Education Students Intensive Reading Interventions

K - 4

Dyslexic Students

English Language Learners

Organization of Intervention Services Documentation Packet Student Profile (Pre-K and K-12)

Tier I

Tier II

Teacher Support Teams

Tier III

Appendix

Phase I – Student Profile: Data Collection and Review

Course Performance

Behavior

Attendance

Retention

Special Population

Universal Screener Results

Retention

Medical information

Hearing and Vision Screener

Phase I - Student Profile Sheet

- Complete Profile only on students that need additional support

Section 1A: K-12 Student Profile		Student Name:																																																																			
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Phase II – Supplemental Instruction within the Regular Classroom

Review Student Profile

Determine Deficit

Determine duration and frequency of intervention

Implement Tier II Interventions to address specific weaknesses of students

Monitor progress to determine next next steps (possible further assessments or specific intensive interventions needed)

Phase II – Section 2A: Supplemental Instruction

- Target Deficit Area of Intervention Identified - What is the student having difficulty with specifically?
- Supplemental Instruction Utilized - What supplemental instruction or small group strategies will be used to address the identified deficiency?
- Specific Evaluation Criteria in Measurable terms - What is the student expected to evidence to determine effectiveness of the intervention?

Section 2A: Tier II (Supplemental Instruction) Documentation			
<p>Instructions: Teachers should complete this form for each student that did not respond to Tier I instruction. For students receiving more than one intervention in multiple academic or behavioral areas, teachers can duplicate this form.</p>			
<p>Details of Intervention: Visit www.mde.k12.ms.us/Intervention for suggested strategies. Provide specific evaluation criteria, in measurable terms, utilized to determine effectiveness and monitor progress.</p>			
<p>Student name:</p>	<p>Describe supplemental and/or small group strategies utilized – should be evidenced-based:</p>	<p>Describe target deficit area of intervention(s) – identify if academic and/or behavioral and cognitive:</p>	
<p>Intervention start date:</p>	<p>Duration of intervention (in weeks):</p>	<p>Frequency of intervention:</p>	<p>Frequency of progress monitoring (Section 2B):</p> <p><small>(MDE recommendation: 2x per month)</small></p>
<p>Name(s) and role(s) of individual(s) responsible for delivering intervention(s):</p>		<p>Based on progress monitoring data (Section 2B), student progress will be cumulatively reviewed on:</p> <p><small>(MDE policy: no later than 8 weeks after start date)</small></p>	
<p>Parental Notification:</p> <p>Parent(s) notified of Tier II intervention (circle one): Yes / No Date Notified: _____</p> <p><small>(For parent letter template, see Appendix D)</small></p>			
<p>Integrity Checks for Tier II Intervention(s)</p> <p>Instructions: School administrators check the box next to each trait of quality implementation demonstrated during observation. Complete at least two (2) integrity checks at equal intervals during course of intervention.</p>			
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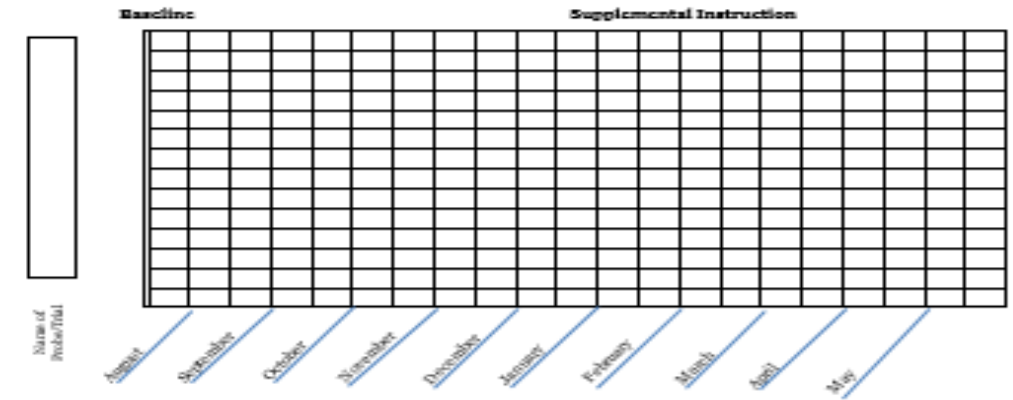
Sample Tier II Group



Phase II – Section 2A: Supplemental Instruction – Progress Monitoring

- Progress Monitoring
- Documented Reviews
- Cumulative Documented Review
- Recommendations based on data

Section 2B: Progress Monitoring and Evaluation for Tier II Interventions
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 (to be completed no later than 4 weeks after starting intervention) (if no, an additional intervention form should be completed)

Cumulative Documented Review: Date: _____ Sufficient Progress Made? (circle one): Yes / No
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Classroom Teacher Signature _____ Date _____ School Administrator Signature _____ Date _____



High Quality Classroom Instruction

Section 1B: Tier I High-Quality Classroom Observation Form (Aligned with MSTAR)
 Instructions: Prior to students entering Tier II, school administrators should complete this form by placing a check mark only in the boxes by the traits that are observed. It is recommended that this form be completed a minimum of three (3) times per school year. This form may be reproduced as needed.

Teacher Name: _____ Grade/Subject: _____

Observed by: _____ Date of Observation: _____

Classroom Instruction	Differentiated Instruction	Classroom Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Students actively engaged in material. Domain 3, Standard 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Content is at instructional level. Domain 3, Standard 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Students answering questions correctly. Domain 3, Standard 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Students ask questions. Domain 4, Standard 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher communicates expectations of lesson. Domain 3, Standard 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher questioning measures students' understanding of the prerequisite concepts. Domain 3, Standard 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher questioning measures students' understanding of new concepts. Domain 3, Standard 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher encourages students to think critically concerning previous concepts. Domain 3, Standard 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher encourages students to think critically concerning new concepts. Domain 3, Standard 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher reviews prerequisite knowledge needed for the lesson. Domain 3, Standard 7	<input type="checkbox"/> Teacher uses activities to support instruction (i.e., advanced organizer, intro to lesson, or closure). Domain 3, Standard 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher aligns tasks to learning goals. Domain 3, Standard 7 (mostly measured in planning domain) <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher engagement with students varies as the needs of the students differ. Domain 3, Standard 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher provides guided practice and modeling in learning new concepts. Domain 3, Standard 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher uses concepts to support instruction (i.e., broad based ideas or principles). Domain 3, Standard 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher uses content to support instruction (i.e., incremental steps to an objective). Domain 3, Standard 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher groups students to work on instructional component. Domain 3, Standard 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher provides prompt feedback to students concerning performance. (Addressed in Domain 5 – not observed domain) Domain 3, Standard 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher assists students in preparation for assignments, long-range projects, and tests. Domain 4, Standard 15	<input type="checkbox"/> Use of smooth transitions: providing transition activities for students. Domain 4, Standard 14 <input type="checkbox"/> Rules are communicated in the classroom. Domain 4, Standard 16 <input type="checkbox"/> Procedures are communicated in the classroom. Domain 3, Standard 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Use of active supervision component: scanning to monitor student behavior. Domain 4, Standard 18 <input type="checkbox"/> Use of active supervision component: moving around the room to monitor student behavior. Domain 4, Standard 11 and 16 <input type="checkbox"/> Use of active supervision component: interacting to monitor student behavior. Domain 4, Standard 18 <input type="checkbox"/> Consequences for positive behavior. Domain 4, Standard 18 <input type="checkbox"/> Consequences for negative behavior. Domain 4, Standard 18

Observation Summary
 Instructions: School administrators check the appropriate box below and identify recommendations if needed.

- Teacher demonstrated traits of high-quality classroom instruction.
- Teacher demonstrated some traits of high-quality classroom instruction, and should implement the following recommendation(s) to enhance Tier I instruction:

Description of recommendation(s):	Date to begin recommendation(s):
	Date to evaluate recommendation(s):



Phase III – Section 3A: Teacher Support Team Referral and Meeting

Phase III – Data gathered in Phase I and Phase II of the Intervention Process reviewed by TST team

Request

Referral based on State Board of Education 4300 criteria for Tier III

Referral Meeting Details

TST Recommendations

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- Request
- Referral based on State Board of Education 4300 criteria for Tier III
- Referral Meeting Details
- TST Recommendations

Section 3A: Teacher Support Team Referral and Meeting
Instructions: Teachers, complete this form if progress monitoring data does not show adequate student progress at the end of the scheduled Tier II intervention(s) and further support is needed. Attach completed Section 3A, 3B, 3A & 3B

TO: Teacher Support Team Chair or LSC

I request that _____ (student name) be reviewed by the TST to assist in providing interventions to improve his/her overall performance. I have observed problems that interfere with his/her educational progress in the following area(s):

Academic performance, low or failing grades
 Behavior and/or discipline
 Other, specify _____

OR

Referral of the student is made based upon Mississippi State Board Policy 4300. These referrals must be made within the first 90 school days of a school year if the child failed the preceding year. Please indicate below:

Grades 1-2: Student has failed one grade.
 Grades 3-12: Student has failed two grades.
 Student failed either of the preceding two grades and has been suspended or expelled for more than 90 days in the current school year.
 Student scored at the "lowest level" on the grade 3 or grade 7 state assessment.
 A student is promoted from Grade 3 to Grade 4 under a good cause exception of the Literacy-Based Promotion Act. (Attach Appendix K)

Signature of teacher submitting referral:	Signature of TST Chair acknowledging receipt:	Date of receipt of referral:	Date of TST Meeting to discuss referral (must be within 6 weeks):
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Referral Meeting Details:
NOTE: By signing here, TST members agree that all information discussed pertaining to the TST process will be held in strict confidence. They shall neither contact anyone outside the official function of this TST process nor make any notes or copies of any documents utilized during the process.

Summary of Discussion (see flow on back if needed):	Signature of TST Members	Title
		Principal

TST Recommendations:

<input type="checkbox"/> Contact parents <input type="checkbox"/> Implement academic Tier III intervention in area(s) needed: Reading _____ / Math _____ Language Arts _____ / Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Implement behavior Tier III intervention <input type="checkbox"/> Conduct student conference <input type="checkbox"/> Perform behavior observation <input type="checkbox"/> Intervention(s) not successful <input type="checkbox"/> Modify current plan and continue intervention(s) in Tier II <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Return to Tier I general education classroom <input type="checkbox"/> Continue instructional intervention(s) in General Education Classroom (Tier II) <input type="checkbox"/> Administrator developmental screener (3 yr. old, in-school) <input type="checkbox"/> Administrator hearing/vision screening <input type="checkbox"/> Request medical follow-up <input type="checkbox"/> Refer to school counselor <input type="checkbox"/> Refer to community agency <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Teacher Narrative Packet <input type="checkbox"/> Refer for Child Study (Multidisciplinary Evaluation Team chairperson will determine meeting date.)
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TST Responsibilities

Functions as a problem solving unit

Reviews all available data

Provides intervention support

Determine resources necessary to implement and evaluate the intervention

Evaluates the success of the intervention

Determines next steps

Phase IV – Section 3B & 3C: Tier III Intensive Intervention Documentation

If it is determined by the TST that the student needs intensive interventions, Phase IV - Tier III Intensive Intervention begins.

It is recommended that Section 3B & 3C documentation be completed on K-4 Special Education students receiving intense reading intervention

Target Deficit Area of Intervention Identified

What is the student having difficulty with specifically?

Supplemental Instruction Utilized

What supplemental instruction or small group strategies will be used to address the identified deficiency?

Specific Evaluation Criteria in Measurable terms

What is the student expected to evidence to determine effectiveness of the intervention?

Phase IV – Section 3B & 3C: Tier III Intensive Intervention Documentation

Target Area

Marcus lacks prerequisite decoding skills and fluency and accuracy is below fall benchmark expectations. Fluency score is 98 with less than 95% accuracy and therefore he does not meet the fall benchmark expectations of 127 with 95% accuracy. He is below the acceptable level of performance of 127 wcpm.

Supplemental Instruction/Description of Intervention

Corrective Reading

Measurable Goals

After 30 sessions of small group intervention Marcus will increase his fluency by at least 4 words correct per minute. His fluency scores will increase to 102 - 116 wcpm with 95% accuracy.

Progress Monitoring Tool

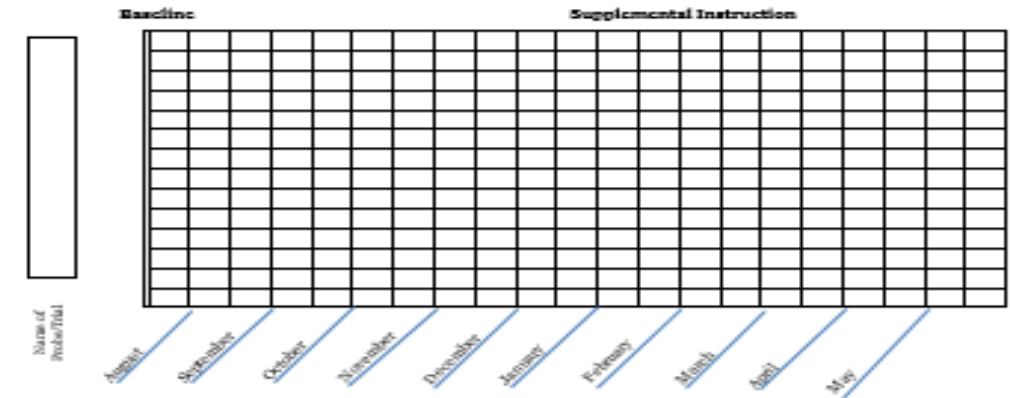
Easy CBM (PRF) at Instructional Level

Intervention Start Date
Duration of Intervention
Frequency of Intervention
Frequency of Progress Monitoring
Parental Notification
Integrity Checks

Phase IV – Section 3B & 3C: Tier III Intensive Intervention PM Documentation

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- Utilize non-instructional personnel, recruiting tutors from outside the school setting, or even making use of public-school students
- A useful exercise for the school is to review the building personnel roster and compile a list of those staff with non-instructional or special-area assignments. The work schedules and duties of each staff member on the list would then be reviewed to determine if that staff member has any open time to deliver small-group or individual interventions.

Special-area and non-instructional personnel.

school psychologists,
guidance counselors
special-area teachers
paraprofessionals

Adult volunteers

Schools can develop a cadre of adult volunteers as another means to expand the interventionist pool.

Parents, community-service organizations, and graduate training programs that seek school placements for their students are all potential sources for adult volunteers.

The HELPS program (Begeny, 2009) is an example of a free, effective intervention package to promote reading fluency that could be used by both non-instructional school personnel and volunteer tutors. Training and teaching materials for HELPS are available at <http://www.helpsprogram.org>.

Public-school students

Schools should not overlook their own students who can serve as cross-age or same-age peer tutors.

Cross-age peer tutors are older students who work with younger children. An example of a cross-age peer tutoring program is described in the free *Kids as Reading Helpers* manual (Wright, 2004), available at

<http://www.interventioncentral.org/index.php/downloads>. Same-age tutors are usually recruited to work with other students in the same classroom or grade. One well-known evidence-based program that uses same-age peers as tutors in reading and math is *Peer-Assisted Learning Strategies (PALS)* (e.g., Sáenz, Fuchs, & Fuchs, 2005; What Works Clearinghouse, 2007).

Use a 'floating RTI' schedule to coordinate interventions and employ staff more efficiently. (Burns & Gibbons, 2008)

Group students by need across the level

Strong content area teachers can across the grades

Provide enrichment activities for not requiring intervention

Response to Intervention				
Scheduling Elementary Tier 2 Interventions				
Option 3: <i>'Floating RTI': Gradewide Shared Schedule</i> . Each grade has a scheduled RTI time across classrooms. No two grades share the same RTI time. Advantages are that outside providers can move from grade to grade providing push-in or pull-out services and that students can be grouped by need across different teachers within the grade.				
Anyplace Elementary School: RTI Daily Schedule				
Grade K	Classroom 1	Classroom 2	Classroom 3	9:00-9:30
Grade 1	Classroom 1	Classroom 2	Classroom 3	9:45-10:15
Grade 2	Classroom 1	Classroom 2	Classroom 3	10:30-11:00
Grade 3	Classroom 1	Classroom 2	Classroom 3	12:30-1:00
Grade 4	Classroom 1	Classroom 2	Classroom 3	1:15-1:45
Grade 5	Classroom 1	Classroom 2	Classroom 3	2:00-2:30
<small>Source: Burns, M. K., & Gibbons, K. A. (2008). Implementing response-to-intervention in elementary and secondary schools: Procedures to assure scientific-based practices. New York: Routledge.</small>				
www.interventioncentral.org				

Required

Follow the MDE Tier III Instructional Model that consist of the following:

Tier 1: Quality classroom instruction based on
Curriculum Frameworks

Tier 2: Focused supplemental instruction

Tier 3: Intensive interventions specifically designed
to meet the individual needs of students

Administer state approved screener within first 30 days of school to K -3,
repeat at mid year and end of year to identify reading deficiencies

Required

Administer Dyslexia Screener to **all** Kindergarten students in the Spring and **all** 1st grade students in the Fall that includes the following components:

Phonological awareness and phonemic awareness;

Sound symbol recognition;

Alphabet knowledge;

Decoding skills;

Encoding skills; and

Rapid naming (quickly naming objects, pictures, colors, or symbols (letters or digits) aloud.

Provide Intensive Reading Interventions according to the LBPA

Required

Teacher Support Teams

Refer to TST for the following

Grades 1-3: A student has failed one (1) grade;

Grades 4-12: A student has failed two (2) grades;

A student failed either of the preceding two grades and has been suspended or expelled for more than twenty (20) days in the current school year; OR

A student scores at the lowest level on any part of the Grade 3 or Grade 7 statewide accountability assessment.

A student is promoted from Grade 3 to Grade 4 under a good cause exemption of the Literacy-Based Promotion Act.

Refer within the 1st 20 days of school if any of the following above occur

Required

Follow Child Find Procedures

Child Find is the ongoing obligation to identify, locate, and evaluate all children suspected of disabilities who need special education and related services as a result of those disabilities.

Note: A district should not violate its Child Find duty by repeatedly referring a student for interventions rather than evaluating the student's need for special education and related services.

Recommended

Utilize the MTSS Documentation Packet

Review available school-wide interventions

Provide school-wide training on available interventions

When determining duration and frequency of intervention, utilize the selected Intervention recommendations

Progress Monitor Bi-Weekly/Weekly



Sample Intervention Chart

Intervention	Subject	Grades	Computer based	Tier	Limitations/Restrictions	Focus Area
Symphony Math symphonylearning.com	Math	K-5	Yes Web-based	II or III	10 students access per campus at one time	All Math
Foundations Options Publishing	Math	2	T-D	III	None	Basic Math
Intervention Toolkit People's Education	Math	3-6+	T-D	III	Includes Turbo Math, Count on It, Building Stamina	All Math
Accelerated Math Renaissance Learning. renlearn.com	Math	6-12	Yes Network	II or III	None	All Math
Neufeld Math Understanding Numeration Neufeld Learning Systems	Math	K-3 or higher	Yes Network	II or III	60 users per campus at one time	All Math
Neufeld Math Understanding Math Neufeld Learning Systems	Math	4-10 or higher	Yes Network	II or III	60 users per campus at one time	All Math
Stepping Stones to Literacy Sopris West	Reading	K-1	T-D	II or III	None	Listening, conventions, phonological awareness, phonemic awareness, serial processing
Headsprout headsprout.com	Reading	K-2	Yes Web-based	II or III	Individual student licenses	Accuracy
My Reading Coach mindplay.com	Reading	2-8 (or higher)	Yes Network	II or III	Unlimited use per license (1 user at a time)	Accuracy
Read Naturally readnaturally.com	Reading	1-8 (or higher)	Yes Network	II or III	None	Fluency, Comprehension, and Vocabulary
Lexia Early Reading www.lexialearning.com	Reading	Pre K-1 (ages 4-6)	Yes	II or III	None	Phonemic Awareness and Alphabetic Knowledge
Lexia Primary Reading	Reading	K-3 (ages 5-8)	Yes	II or III	None	Accuracy and Comprehension
Lexia Strategies for Older Students	Reading	4-8 (ages 9-adult)	Yes	II or III	None	All 5 areas of reading
Read Well K and 1 sopriswest.com	Reading	K-2	T-D	III	None	All 5 areas of reading
Rewards sopriswest.com	Reading	4-12	T-D	II or III	None	Accuracy and Vocabulary
Dyslexia Training Program	Reading	K-8	T-D	III	Video taped program	All 5 areas of reading
Soar to Success Houghton Mifflin	Reading	3-6	T-D	III	None	All 5 areas of reading



Resources

Response to Intervention Resources

General

Mississippi Department of Education Response to Intervention web site:

<http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/ESE/links/response-to-intervention-teacher-support-team>

National Center on Response to Intervention

<http://www.RTI4Success.org>

This site has a variety of resources including information about universal screeners, progress monitoring, interventions, papers and presentations on RTI topics and a discussion forum.

Understood.org: <https://www.understood.org/en/school-learning/special-services/rti>

Identifying and Implementing Educational Practices Supported By Rigorous Evidence: A User Friendly Guide
<http://www.ed.gov/rschstat/research/pubs/rigoroussevid/index.html>

Center On Instruction:

<http://www.centeroninstruction.org/files/DISTRICT.pdf>
http://www.centeroninstruction.org/files/framework_for_RTI.pdf

This publication provides action steps for building a strategy to implement RTI district-wide and provide support to schools.

Doing What Works

<http://www2.ed.gov/nclb/methods/whatworks/edpicks.jhtml>

This site is dedicated to helping educators identify and make use of effective teaching practices.

Promising Practice Network:

<http://www.promisingpractices.net>

This site provides quality evidence-based information about what works to improve the lives of children, families, and communities. A wide variety of programs are reviewed including academic, behavioral, physical and mental development, after school, and mentoring.

National Center on Student Progress Monitoring

<http://www.studentprogress.org/chart/chart.asp>

National Center for Culturally Sensitive Educational Systems

<http://www.nccrest.org/publications/tools.html>

Interventions

Best Evidence Encyclopedia (BEE):

<http://www.bestevidence.org/>

What Works Clearinghouse: <http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/>

Intervention Central: <http://www.interventioncentral.org>

Early Childhood

National Association for the Education of Young Children:

<http://www.naeyc.org/files/naeyc/RTI%20in%20Early%20Childhood.pdf>

National Center for Learning Disabilities: <http://www.ncld.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/roadmaptopretri.pdf>

Literacy

Florida Center for Reading Research: <http://www.fcrr.org/>

Interventions for Struggling Readers:
<http://www.fcrr.org/interventions/index.shtml>

Response to Intervention:
<http://www.fcrr.org/interventions/RTI.shtml>

Selecting Research-Based Reading Programs
<http://www.fcrr.org/profDev/profDevSelectingPrograms.shtml>

Early Literacy Resources (primarily for Tier 1 and Tier 2)

<http://www.free-reading.net>

Improving Adolescent Literacy: Effective Classroom and Intervention Practices [Grades 4–12]

http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/publications/practiceguides/#adlit_pg

Behavior

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)

National Technical Assistance Center: <http://www.pbis.org/>

PBIS Videos – This page contains several videos that are useful for staff introduction and training on PBIS <http://www.pbis.org/media/videos>

Functional Behavior Assessment: <http://cecp.air.org/fba/>

Reducing Behavior Problems in the Elementary Classroom
http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/pdf/practiceguides/behavior_pg_092308.pdf

The Office of Intervention Services website is currently being updated to reflect changes and the development of new documents.

www.mde.k12.ms.us/intervention

Resources

<http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/ESE>

<http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/ESE/dyslexia>

<http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/ESE/links/response-to-intervention-teacher-support-team>

<http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/ESE/literacy>



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