# Island Park UFSD Multi Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) Plan September 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025 (2 years)

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Multi Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) is a collaborative, evidence-based, approach to differentiating and personalizing instruction and intervention, across academics and behavior for all students—so that every student can achieve academic and life success. MTSS is one of the most effective ways to provide an equitable educational experience, because it leverages collective knowledge and expertise to help teachers understand their learners' needs and make informed and strategic decisions that best support them. The MTSS process begins with the proactive identification of students in need of additional support in a skill area (i.e. reading, math, behavior). Identified students receive interventions that are matched to their individual skill deficit and level of need. Student skill progress is monitored over time, to determine the student's response to interventions. When identified skill deficits have been remediated, interventions are discontinued as no longer necessary. If a student continues to struggle, further problem solving is provided to determine the need for more intensive supports and/or services. At each stage of the MTSS process, data-based decision making is used as a systematic way of individualizing supports and interventions for students in need. MTSS includes the following broad areas: Academic, Mental Health, Positive Behavior Supports, Social Emotional Learning and Restorative Practice. These areas are often referred to as the Five Pillars of MTSS.

#### **Guiding Principles of MTSS:**

- 1. MTSS is for ALL students.
  - a. Educators must work proactively to support students' learning needs.
  - b. ALL students can learn.
  - c. ALL available resources are accessible to teach all students.
- 2. Scientific, research-based core instruction and intervention is the foundation for success.
  - a. **Core Curriculum:** To ensure students have the best chance at success, use strategies with a scientific research base.
    - i. Core curriculum and instructional approaches must have a high probability of success for most students (80%).
    - ii. Implementation of core curriculum must be implemented with fidelity.
  - b. **Tiered Levels of Support:** Beyond the core curriculum, match students' instruction/support to the level and intensity of their need. The levels of support provided to students are based on increasing level of

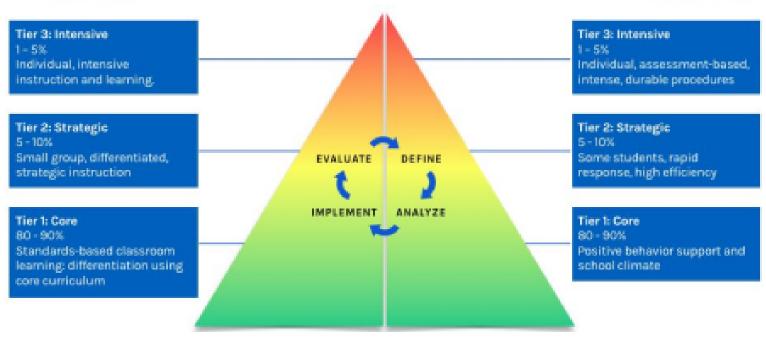
student needs, which is organized through a tiered framework:

- i. Tier 1 is whole class core instruction
- ii. Tier 2 is whole class core instruction + additional targeted instruction (often small group)
- iii. Tier 3 is whole class core instruction + additional targeted instruction + intensive intervention
- 3. Instructionally relevant, valid and reliable assessments are critical for providing proactive and reactive support.
  - a. There are 3 types of assessments, which vary in administration and use:
    - i. **Summative assessments** are administered to all students annually to determine students' mastery of grade-level standards and provide educators with information about adequate yearly progress at site and district levels.
    - ii. **Universal screening assessments** are administered to all students two times per year to proactively and objectively identify which students are potentially in need of educational supports / enhancements to supplement the core curriculum. Furthermore, evaluation of universal screening data is conducted to ensure the core curriculum is resulting in success for a sufficient percentage of students. These assessments should be nationally or state-normed and predictive of performance on summative assessments.
    - iii. **Progress monitoring assessments** are given to students and are administered weekly or every other week, depending upon the intensity of need.
- 4. Problem Solving Protocols are used to make support decisions for students on a continuum of needs.
  - a. **The Problem Solving Protocol** refers to the method and approach used when determining student needs and how to address them--it defines, "who gets what and when."
  - b. The Problem Solving Protocol outlines a plan for using research-based, targeted interventions and enrichment services with increasing levels of cumulative support.
- 5. Data is used to guide instructional decisions.
  - a. **Assessment data** (universal screeners, progress monitoring probes, standardized testing, classroom performance measures) are used to inform a need for instructional changes.

#### Three-Tiered System of Service Delivery

A three-tiered system of service delivery is a necessary structure to efficiently and effectively support all children, not just those who struggle in school. The three-tiered system of service delivery is crucial in the attempt to ensure all students achieve at high levels and all students achieve college and career readiness.

## Academics Behavior



#### a. Universal Screening

Universal screening is the process of assessing all students to identify individuals who are at risk or in need of more individualized support (Hughes & Dexter, 2008).

#### b. Tier 1 Core Instruction:

At Tier 1, **all** students receive scientific, research-based core instruction implemented with integrity and emphasizing grade-level standards and school-wide behavioral expectations. Instruction at Tier 1 should be explicit, differentiated and include flexible grouping and active student engagement. To ensure 80% of students' needs are met at Tier 1, high quality instruction is essential. Features of high quality, research-based instruction include (Chard et al., 2008):

- Standards-Based Curriculum: a curriculum based upon the NYS Next Generation Learning Standards.
- Systematic Explicit Instruction: Skills are taught from less to more complex using direct, clear and concise instructional language.
- **Differentiated Instruction:** students have different levels of background knowledge and school readiness. Differentiated instruction engages each student in active learning

- according to his/her needs. The content of instruction, delivery of instruction, and targeted level of instruction may be differentiated.
- Flexible Grouping: a combination of whole group, small group, and individual instruction allows teachers to create fluid groups that meet the needs of all students.
- Active Student Engagement: ensuring all students are actively involved during instruction and are not passive recipients. This can be accomplished with high rates of opportunities to respond, ample time to practice skills, and prompt corrective feedback. In addition, instruction is designed to present multiple opportunities for peer collaboration, phenomenological inquiry, and problem solving integrated across curricular content. Instruction comprises accountable talk through academic language at all levels/grades,
- Classroom Behavior Strategies: proactively and explicitly teaching the expected behaviors and routines, frequent use of reinforcement and praise (4:1 positive to negative feedback loop), quick and efficient transition times, consistent instructional response to misbehavior, and restorative practices/discipline.

A solid Tier 1 should be sufficient to help 80% of students meet or exceed grade level expectations as measured by a standardized summative assessment. If Tier 1 instruction is not successful in meeting the needs of 80% of the school's population, the school team should consider possible solutions to create a better match between students' needs and the core curriculum and instruction (e.g., improving explicit instruction, differentiation strategies, use of flexible grouping, and maximizing active student engagement).

#### Tier 2 Targeted Group Intervention

At Tier 2, students identified as being at-risk academically or behaviorally through universal screeners are provided scientific, research-based interventions in addition to the core. Approximately 10 to 15% of students will need supplemental instruction at Tier 2 to become proficient. Tier 2 interventions are implemented with groups of students demonstrating common skill deficits or social/emotional/behavioral risk characteristics.

Targeted group interventions typically involve an additional minimum of 30-90 minutes of instruction (outside of core instruction) provided each week. Targeted group interventions must be more explicit: more intensive than core instruction; more supportive in the form of encouragement, feedback, and positive reinforcement; carefully scaffolded; and ideally occur in groups of approximately 3 to 10 students, for elementary, and 3 to 10 students for middle school.

#### **Tier 3 Intensive Intervention**

Students who have not demonstrated sufficient progress with targeted group interventions at Tier 2 require

more time in more intensive interventions. Tier 3 interventions are distinguished from Tier 2 interventions because they are individualized based on data collected in individual problem solving, occur with smaller student-teacher ratios and possibly occur for a longer duration of time (e.g., more daily minutes or more weeks spent in intervention). About 5-10% of students will require this level of intensive support.

#### **Progress Monitoring**

The purpose of monitoring progress is to determine the effectiveness of an intervention plan on student learning. When data show students are progressing, interventions are maintained until students meet identified goals. When data show students are not progressing, a change in intervention is necessary (Fuchs, Compton, Fuchs & Davis, 2008). Students receiving Tier 2 support should be assessed bi-weekly, while students receiving Tier 3 support should be assessed weekly.

## Considerations for MTSS Support of English Language Learners (ENL)/English as a New Language (ENL) Students

The term English Language Learners (ELLs) or English as a New Language (ENL) refers to students whose first language is not English, and encompasses both students who are just beginning to learn English (often referred to in federal legislation as "limited English proficient" or "LEP") **and** those who have already developed considerable proficiency. The term underscores the fact that, in addition to meeting all the academic challenges that face their monolingual peers, these students are mastering another language. It is helpful to take into account the following considerations when supporting ELLs through an MTSS model:

- **Teaching should be culturally responsive**: The student's prior experiences should be considered, including home language background and socio-cultural background.
- Interplay of English Language Learning & Reading Instruction: Teachers should consider the relationship between a student's language proficiency and his/her literacy skills. Reading fluency and comprehension may be strongly determined by vocabulary and linguistic proficiency of both the first and second language.
- Interplay of English Language Learning & Math Instruction: Linguistic proficiency and vocabulary comprehension are important when understanding math concepts. Several concepts of math are not necessarily universal.
- Additional Variables: Within MTSS problem-solving, literacy and oracy (in both home and new languages), culture, and educational history (or gaps in educational history) are variables to be considered when assessing and planning instruction for ELLs. In all three tiers, these variables stay consistent.
- English Language Learning: core instruction for all LEP/ELL/ENL students must always include English language learning as well.

- Matching Instruction to Student Need: Differentiated instruction should be used for ALL students; however, differentiated instruction for ELLs should consider the student's level of English proficiency and prior educational experiences in addressing cultural and linguistic differences. When determining appropriate instruction/intervention, The following list applies to all levels of ELL students:
  - o Consider the amount and type of ELL instruction the student received in the past and in the present
  - o If applicable, consider the amount and type of home language instruction in the past and in the present
  - o Ensure that the language(s) used for intervention matches the language(s) used for core instruction
  - o Consider the impact of language and culture on instruction and learning
  - o Contact the family for guidance and feedback
  - o Ensure that ENL teachers serve on the MTSS instructional decision-making team
- Assessment: In order to better understand the needs of LEP/ELLs students, the following should be utilized:
  - Home Language Questionnaire: To identify if a language other than English is spoken at home
  - o **Interview**: Conducted by the ENL Teacher to assess the relationship between their 2+ languages and the extent of formal education the student received in any other language
  - **NYSITELL:** Based on the interview results students are identified on their level of proficiency. It will identify the initial placement within the ENL program.
  - **NYSESLAT:** End of the year assessment to determine next year's placement. It decides a students' proficiency level
  - NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)
  - o Monitor: Proficient students who have exited the ELL program based on NYSESLAT/NYSED guidelines

### Island Park School District: MTSS Framework

#### A. Our MTSS Process

a. At Island Park School District, the structure of our **Elementary School (K-5) MTSS process** is described below:

Activity/Criterion	Key Concepts	Timeline	Person Responsible
Administer universal screeners	May/June performance from the previous school year on Northwest Evaluation Association <sup>™</sup> (NWEA <sup>™</sup> ) Measures of Academic Performance (MAPs)	Fall, and Spring	Principal Classroom Teachers

	in Reading, Language Usage, and Mathematics  Note: For students new to the district, performance from the Northwest Evaluation Association™ (NWEA™) Measures of Academic Performance (MAPs) in Reading, Language Usage, and Mathematics administered in the testing window period as close to the time of enrollment as possible		Interventionist Teachers MTSS Committee Members
Administer Fountas and Pinnell (F and P) Text Level Gradient and Benchmark Assessment System	Grades K-4 Fountas and Pinnell Continuum: Linked to state and national standards, a guide to intervention based on text gradient levels A-Z which correlate to grades K-8. Score confirming 2 independent levels below expected grade.	Fall, mid-year and Spring or As needed	
Work Habits/Achievement grades on June Report Card from the previous school year in ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies	"Inconsistent" or "Minimal" as indicated on the report card from the previous year. As well as teacher comments and observational data.		

Benchmark and lesson-embedded assessments for reading and math in grades K-4 in the previous school year (September analysis) or current school year.	Quantitative score from the previous year (September analysis) or current school year.		
Eligible Student(s) may be administered Wilson Assessment for Decoding and Encoding (WADE)	Grades 3-5 WADE: Score confirming performance within the lowest 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile of the grade.	As per protocols for Wilson Reading System intervention.	
Tier students based on screener data.	Data Team meetings will determine Tier 2 or 3 intervention:  • MAP Scores, NYS ELA & Math Assessments, Fountas and Pinnell will be used alongside qualitative classroom data (F and P assessments, GoMath Chapter assessments, etc.) to determine entrance into Tier 2 or 3.	After screener/bench mark assessments	

Schedule initial Student MTSS Team Meetings for	Collect progress monitoring and universal screening data for analysis.	As needed	
students whose data does not meet the criteria for Tier 2 Intervention, but a concern still exists. Schedule initial Student MTSS Team Meetings for students with behavioral concerns.	Team conducts threat assessment, if necessary ( academic or behavioral)		
Share updates with family and student	Letters should be generated to inform parents of services	After data team meetings and/or MTSS meeting	
Implement intervention and monitor progress	Teacher and interventionists will administer.	Minimum Tier 2: 30-90 minutes per week Minimum Tier 3: increased duration and/or decreased group size	
Adjust plan based on relevant data	If student did not make sufficient progress, follow problem solving protocol and adjust plan.	After collaborative review	

b. At Island Park School District, the structure of our Middle School (6-8) MTSS Process is described below:

Activity/Criterion	Key Concepts	Timeline	Person Responsible
Activity/Criterion  Universal Screening	May/June performance from the previous school year on Northwest Evaluation Association™ (NWEA™) Measures of Academic Performance (MAPs) in Reading, Language Usage, and Mathematics  Note: For students new to the district, performance from the Northwest Evaluation Association™ (NWEA™) Measures		Person Responsible  Principal  Guidance Counselor  School Psychologist  Teachers from the Student's Grade Level Team  Interventionists  Social Worker
	of Academic Performance (MAPs) in Reading, Language Usage, and Mathematics administered in the testing window period as close to the time of enrollment as possible  Standardized Testing Results (NYS Assessments) - Grades - Attendance Data		Social Worker
	Possible Sources of Universal Screening Data (Behavior): - Observational Data - Grades		

	- Attendance Data - Behavior Incident Data		
Administer Teachers College Reading and Writing Project (TCRWP) Reading Level Assessments	A calculation which measures accuracy and self-corrections, fluency and expression, and comprehension to determine independent and instructional levels which correlate to grades K-8. Score confirming 2 independent levels below expected grade.	Fall, Winter Spring	
Referral to Data Team (As needed based on teacher concerns)	Multi-disciplinary Team reviews Universal Screening Data Prescription of Classroom-based/Small Group Interventions to match identified area of student weakness		

Targeted Assessments	Administered based on identified need at Data Team Meeting Possible Sources of Targeted Data: - TCWRP - Curriculum-Based Measures - Running Records - Content Area Assessments - Scores from targeted computer assisted instruction programs such as: - Scholastic Reading Inventory (SRI) via Read 180 or System 44 -IXL	Ongoing	
Scholastic Reading Inventory via Read 180 or System 44	Grades 5-8 SRI: Performance Band and Lexile Range correlate to a Level 1/Below Basic or Level 2/Basic	Ongoing	
IXL	Diagnostic assessment for mathematics aligned to NGLS state standards which evaluate aptitude and identify student performance needs. Assessment reveals student performance below the standard for the expected grade.	Ongoing	

Eligible Student(s) may be administered Wilson Assessment for Decoding and Encoding (WADE)	Grades 3-8 WADE: Score confirming performance within the lowest 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile of the grade.	As per protocols for Wilson Reading System intervention.	
Academic/Achievement grades on June Report Card from the previous school year in ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies	75% or lower 2H or lower	Fall	
Work Habits/Effort grades on June Report Card from the previous school year in ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies	unsatisfactory ratings in two or more courses on the report card. revious school n ELA, Math, ce, and Social		

Progress Monitoring	Administered individually or to small groups	Support Team/MTSS Team: - Guidance Counselor
Data Team Follow-up	Review progress data Adjust Intervention plan as needed (Change Type, Increase, Decrease, Discontinue)	- Classroom Teacher - Interventionists - Support Staff -Principal
Referral to Support Team	If continued concerns, a referral to Support Team/MTSS Team can be made: - Universal, Targeted, and Progress Data is reviewed - Additional interventions/action steps are recommended - Referral to CSE is made if necessary	
Psycho-educational evaluations based on a variety of assessments and inventories	Performance of 1.5 or greater standard deviations below mean, or as determined by the data team	
Share updates with family and student	Communication with parents to discuss intervention plan, by Guidance Counselor or teacher.	

#### B. Our MTSS Problem Solving Teams: Staff, Roles, and Responsibilities

The MTSS Problem Solving teams are school-based, multi-disciplinary teams that drive the MTSS system. Problem Solving meetings within MTSS may look like a Data Team Meeting, Support Team Meeting, or MTSS Team Meeting. All problem solving teams function to identify students in need of support. The MTSS Problem Solving Teams may address system needs by reviewing school-wide data (within grade levels and classrooms) and support individual student growth by helping to monitor progress and make intervention decisions for students. The principal designates the composition of the MTSS teams. Examples of standing members on the MTSS Problem Solving Teams may include: Principal, General Education teacher, School Psychologist, Guidance Counselor, Social Worker, ENL Teacher, Special Education Teacher, Speech Pathologist, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist, Enrichment Specialist, Interventionists/Essentialists (i.e., AIS Teachers) Special Area Teachers, Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) or other instructional staff member having knowledge of the student.

#### MTSS Problem Solving Team duties are as follows:

- Meet regularly with a structured agenda that varies throughout the month to:
  - o Review universal screening data (elementary level)
  - o Review school-wide data, consider feedback and concerns, and make data-based decisions (elementary level)
  - Support grade levels/departments in serving students during intervention blocks in collaboration with general education teachers;
  - Consult and collaborate with administrators, counselors, teachers and parents about the MTSS system, problem-solving process, and procedural integrity;
  - o Examine the effectiveness of Tier 1 interventions (s) prior to consideration of Tier 2 and Tier 3 referrals;
  - o Make decisions about referrals for support at Tiers 2 and 3;
  - o Hold problem-solving meetings for individual students;
  - Refer students for comprehensive special education evaluations when data indicate this step is warranted and multi-tiered interventions have been previously been considered and used;
  - o Exit students from targeted interventions as appropriate in accordance with present levels of performance

#### C. Our Universal Screening Plan:

The NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) will serve as the district's initial screener for grades K-8 in math and literacy. Given the design, format, and content of the assessment, it will also serve as a means for us to benchmark performance at the individual, classroom, school, and district levels. Reading Running Records and benchmark assessments through F and P and TCRWP will be administered to students quarterly (K-8). These levels will be reviewed by the MTSS Data Team alongside the NWEA MAP when appropriate.

#### D. Our Tiered Intervention System

#### a. Recommended Intervention Schedules

i. Island Park School District advocates the use of a MTSS Data Team Meeting for students requiring support at Tier 2 and Tier 3. The MTSS Data Team will determine tier level, intervention, intervention frequency, group size, and progress monitoring. Below are the established parameters for group size, intervention engagement time, and progress monitoring frequency by tier:

Tier Level	Duration of Plan	Intervention Frequency and Duration	Progress Monitoring	Group Size
2	5-12 weeks on specific area of instructional need	30-120 minutes/week (contingent on programming needs)	every other week	Push-in full classroom or Pull-out 1:1-10:1 (K-5) 1:1-10:1 (6-8)
3	5-12 weeks on specific area of instructional need	minimum of 30-150 minutes/week (contingent on programming needs)	weekly	Pull-out 1:1 - 10:1

ii. Intervention session details and progress monitoring data are documented.

# Data-based Decision Making i. Recommended Tier 2 Entrance Criteria:

Performance Level on Benchmarks	Next Steps:
<ul> <li>NWEA MAP - Below the grade level norm</li> <li>Fountas and Pinnell (F and P) Text Level Gradient and Benchmark         Assessment System</li> <li>Teachers College Reading/Writing (TCRWP) Benchmark</li> <li>ELA/Math Level 1 or 2 Running Record (K-5)-Below Benchmark</li> </ul>	MTSS Data Team determines appropriate Tier 2 Intervention with:  • F and P progress monitoring (bi-weekly)  • Parent communication
<ul> <li>NWEA MAP - Below the grade level norm</li> <li>Plus - Below Average Scores NYS ELA/Math Level 1 or 2 and/or</li> </ul>	MTSS Data Team determines need for Tier 2 intervention based on additional data:  • Classroom data is also considered for determining intervention type, frequency, duration • MTSS follow-up meeting scheduled
Running Record (K-5)- Approaching to/On Grade Level	MTSS Data Team determines no need for Tier 2 intervention:  • Investigate Tier 1 Interventions  • MTSS follow-up meeting scheduled
NWEA MAP 21st - 40th Percentile and Running Record (K-5)- Approaching to/On Grade Level	MTSS Data Team determines no need for Tier 2 intervention:  • Investigate Tier 1 Interventions  • MTSS follow-up meeting scheduled

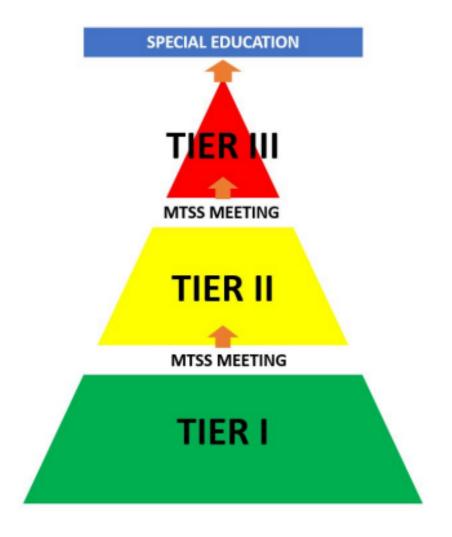
Grades K-8

Performance Level	Growth/ Rate of Improvement	Decision
Average scores on next NWEA MAP benchmark, Running Record, and/or GoMath, TCWRP, F and P benchmark	Sufficient Growth	Move to Tier 1: Discontinue or fade out Tier 2 intervention
Progress Monitoring data shows	Sufficient Growth	Stay in Tier 2: Maintain the current Tier 2 intervention for another cycle
inconsistent growth and/or benchmark scores are below grade level	Uncertain Growth	Stay in Tier 2: revise the current Tier 2 intervention and implement for another intervention cycle
Progress Monitoring and benchmark data shows little to no growth	Uncertain or Insufficient Growth	Move to Tier 3: Increase intervention intensity to reflect Tier 3 level support and implement for another intervention cycle

#### iv. Tier 3 Exit Criteria (K-8):

Performance Level	Growth/ Rate of Improvement	Decision	
1 consecutive progress monitoring data points show significant growth, growth is shown on NWEA MAP benchmark and/or Running Record	Sufficient Growth	Move to Tier 2: Revise plan to reflect Tier 2 intervention and implement for another intervention cycle	
Progress monitoring data consistently below 10th percentile	Sufficient Growth	Stay in Tier 3: Maintain the current Tier 3 intervention for another cycle	
	Uncertain Growth	Stay in Tier 3: revise the current Tier 3 intervention and implement for another intervention cycle	
F and P and TCWRP -phonemic awareness/con cepts and understanding at grade level expectancy  GoMath Chapter Tests meeting standard	Insufficient Growth	Consider Special Education Referral	

#### Elementary and Middle Level Behavior (Grades K-8)



Intensive individual counseling Functional Behavior Assessments

Behavior Intervention Plans

CPS

Crisis Intervention

Restorative Practices

Coordination with Central Nassau Guidance (CNG)

Health Plans

Individual/Group Counseling

Restorative Practices/Discipline

Re-entry Plans

Home Visits

Progress Reports and Check-ins/Check-outs

Behavior Contracts

Accommodation Plans (504 or other)

Team Meetings

DASA Response Protocol

SEL Curriculum

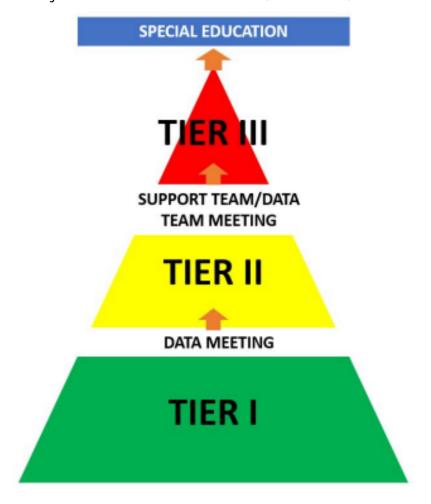
School-wide Behavior Expectations

Clubs

Restorative Practices

Parent-Teacher Conferences (formal and informal)

#### Elementary and Middle Level Academic (Grades 5-8)



Intensive Instruction Personalized Learning Plan (PLP) for ENL 1:1/Small Group Academic Support Wilson Reading System Read 180/System 44

IXL

Building level small group intensive instruction

Guided Instruction Reading Lab Math Lab Instructional Differentiation

504 Plans

Personalized Learning Plan (PLP) for ENL

Homework Club

Informal Daily group work (teacher-led)

Extra Help Sessions

Leveled Literacy Intervention (F and P)

Fundations skills reinforcement (group)

Go Math interventions

IXL

Standards Aligned Curriculum

Evidence-Based Instruction

Extra Help Sessions

Daily informal teacher-led groups

Homework Club

Library

Wilson Fundations (whole class)

Fountas and Pinnell Literacy Continuum

Teachers College Reading/Writing

E. Our Progress Monitoring Plan (K-8):

<u>Schedules of progress monitoring for academic and behavior skills</u>

Academics	Suggested Timeline	Instrument / Assessment Used	
Tier1	Universal Screening 2 times per year (beginning, end) for all K-8th grade students	NWEA - MAP	
Tier 2	Monitor Progress At least biweekly (more often as concern increases, may need multiple assessments for reliability).	F and P, TCWRP, IXL, Go Math Built-in Intervention Progress Monitoring	
Tier 3	Monitor Progress Weekly	F and P, TCWRP, IXL, Go Math Built-in Intervention Progress Monitoring	

Behavior	Suggested Timeline	Instrument / Assessment Used	
Tier1	Universal Screening Data As needed based on teacher referral	Early Warning Indicators  • Teacher reports  • Observational Data	
Tier 2	Monitor Progress weekly or biweekly	Behavior charts Informal Rating Scales Observational Data (determined on an individual basis)	
Tier 3	Monitor Progress daily	Behavior charts Informal Rating Scales Observational Data (determined on an individual basis)	

F. A Synopsis of MTSS at Island Park School District:

	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Focus of Tier Support:	Designed for all students, with on-going differentiation.	Small Group problem solving. Targeted interventions for students not meeting expectations, in addition to core instruction.	Individualized problem solving Intensive and strategic interventions, in addition to core instruction. Focus on specific skills.
Population:	All students (100%)	Some Students (less than 15%)	Few Students (3-5%)
Assessments Used:	Universal screenings, and benchmarks: F and P, TCWRP, IXL, Go Math Assessments, Fundations (K-2)	Progress monitoring occurs <b>bi-weekly</b> or as appropriate to targeted skill area: F and P, TCWRP, IXL, Go Math Assessments, Fundations (K-2)	Progress monitoring occurs weekly, based on targeted skills: F and P, TCWRP, IXL, Go Math Assessments, Fundations (K-2) Built-in Intervention Progress Monitoring
Curriculum and Intervention Supports:	Standards-based Curriculum (See intervention charts above)	Evidence-based strategies/interventions (See intervention charts above)	Evidence-based strategies/interventions (See intervention charts above)
Amount of Time allotted:	ELA: Math: 45-90 mpd K-8  SEL/Behavior: (K-8) Min. 20-30 minutes/week	Academic: Minimum 30-120 minutes/week Behavior: Varies based on student need In addition to instruction at Tier 1	Academic: Minimum 30-150 minutes/week Behavior: Varies based on student need In addition to instruction at Tier 1

Group Size:	Whole class and small group	Small groups: 3-10 students (K-8)	<b>Direct Support:</b> 2-3 students or one-on-one instruction
Location:	General education classroom	General education classroom, may be outside of classroom	Outside of general education classroom
Personnel:	Classroom teacher	Classroom teacher or other professionals (literacy spec., SLP, etc)	Specialized staff (resource teacher, SLP, literacy, etc)
Implementation:	On going	Each cycle is <b>5-12 weeks</b>	Each cycle is <b>5-12 weeks</b>

## G. Areas in Development

Island Park School District remains highly committed to expanding and further developing its MTSS framework.

- 1. The following enumerates aspects of MTSS that are in development at all levels:
  - a. Data-Based Decision Making:
    - i. Procedures for reviewing universal data
    - ii. Entrance and exit criteria for behavioral interventions
- 2. The following enumerates aspects of MTSS that are in development at all levels. Data-Based Decision Making and exploration of iReady progress monitoring and intervention strategies.:
  - i. Entrance and Exit Criteria for all Tier II and Tier III academic and behavior interventions
  - ii. Progress Monitoring protocols for Tier II and Tier III academic and behavior interventions
  - b. Intervention Planning
    - i. Expansion of available Tier II and Tier III interventions for academic support
    - ii. Investigation of evidence-based academic curriculum and intervention protocols for Tier II and Tier III, Revision of Tier II and Tier III intervention parameters, in terms of intensity, duration, and frequency.

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