TEA Order:

MTSS Update





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Multi-Tiered System of Support - MTSS Overview

MTSS is a system-level initiative that helps districts improve student outcomes through the use of

- screeners and multiple sources of data
- a continuum of tiered support
- progress monitoring
- data-based decision-making



MTSS Overview

MTSS is not just used for identifying "at-risk" students needing support and providing them with support. Austin ISD is also looking at the comprehensive system of the district and schools to identify systemic obstacles and address them as a preventative measure.

This practice will be implemented through a district-level Child Study Team using the MTSS Data Tracker.



MTSS Tiers

Tier 1 Universal

Tier 2
Targeted
15-20%

Tier 3
Intensive
5-10%

UNIVERSAL

- Universal evidence-based practices
- Screening of all students
- Progress monitoring of atrisk students
- Data-based decision making

TARGETED

- Targeted evidence-based practices
- Progress monitoring
- Data-based decision making

INTENSIVE

- Diagnostics
- Intensive evidence-based practices
- Progress monitoring
- Data-based decision making



Placement Across Tiers

Increasing level of support

Tier 1 Tier 2 Tier 3

High quality, effective instruction in academics and behavior for all students in the classroom.

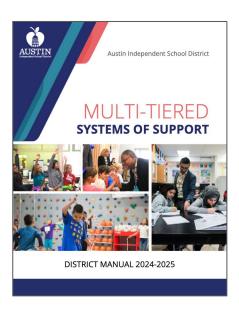
After high quality instruction, there is a need for targeted, consistent interventions to be on track for grade level success.

This increased level of support requires setting goals for students and tracking progress toward goals.

After high quality interventions in Tier 2 are delivered with fidelity, student is not progressing and needs more intensive interventions.



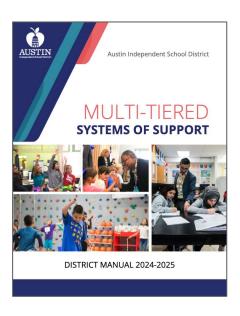
MTSS Manual



- Content aligned to the TIER modules that all staff completed in 2023-24 and all new teachers are receiving in 2024-25
- Approved in content and overall MTSS structures per TEA on June 28, 2024
- Disseminated to all district and campus leadership teams and teachers
- Submitted proof to TEA of dissemination on Oct 1, 2024



MTSS Manual



- Campus administrators
 received a full Trainer of
 Trainers (ToT) session on the
 MTSS Manual at summer
 Leadership Institute
- Instructional coaches also received the full ToT in July
- Campuses delivered the MTSS training to all teachers the week of August 12th



Classroom Walkthroughs

- All core teachers, interventionists, and inclusion teachers who spend at least 50% of their time in core classrooms will receive one walkthrough in Fall of 2024
- Teachers identified for additional support will receive coaching and two more walkthroughs in Spring of 2025



Classroom Walkthroughs

- MTSS walkthrough forms created for K-12 include all tiers of instruction
- Focus on math and literacy research-based practices
- Inclusion of effective practices for intervention settings



Walkthrough Calibrations

- Principals and Assistant Principals calibrated in September
- Common observation and coaching protocol created and used
- Executive Directors of School Leadership conducted calibration visits as classroom walkthroughs began on campuses



MTSS Leadership Implementation Visits

- All campus leaders will receive one implementation visit in Fall of 2024
- Executive Directors of School Leadership will conduct visits and rate various areas of MTSS implementation
- Leaders identified for additional support will receive coaching and two more walkthroughs in Spring



Upcoming Fall Requirements

October 31st – First data submission to TEA to include:

- Student universal screening reports in reading and math
- Percentage of students identified for Tier 2 and Tier 3 intervention
- Intervention entry and exit criteria

December 31st

- Submit training logs for campus leaders and teachers for MTSS manual, including protocols for progress monitoring and classroom walkthroughs
- Complete one MTSS classroom walkthrough for core, intervention, and inclusion teachers
- Complete one MTSS leadership implementation visit



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