



Literacy Tiers of Support

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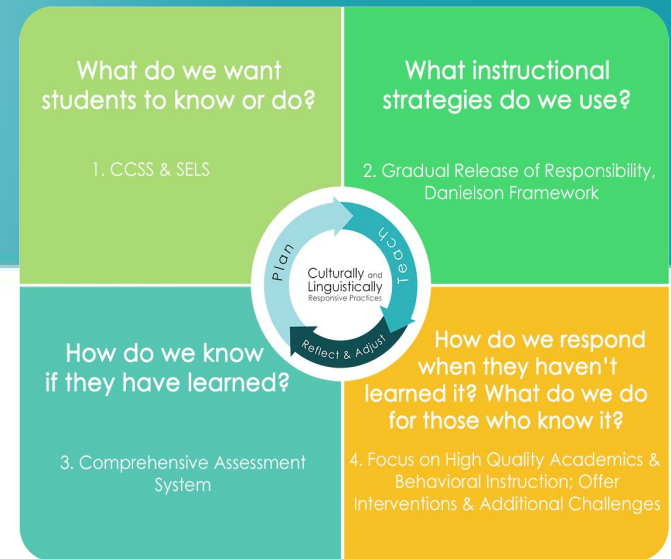
Outcomes

- To provide an update on MMSD's multi-year strategy around tiers of literacy support
- To highlight a SY 15-16 targeted, acceleration strategy for intensive elementary schools

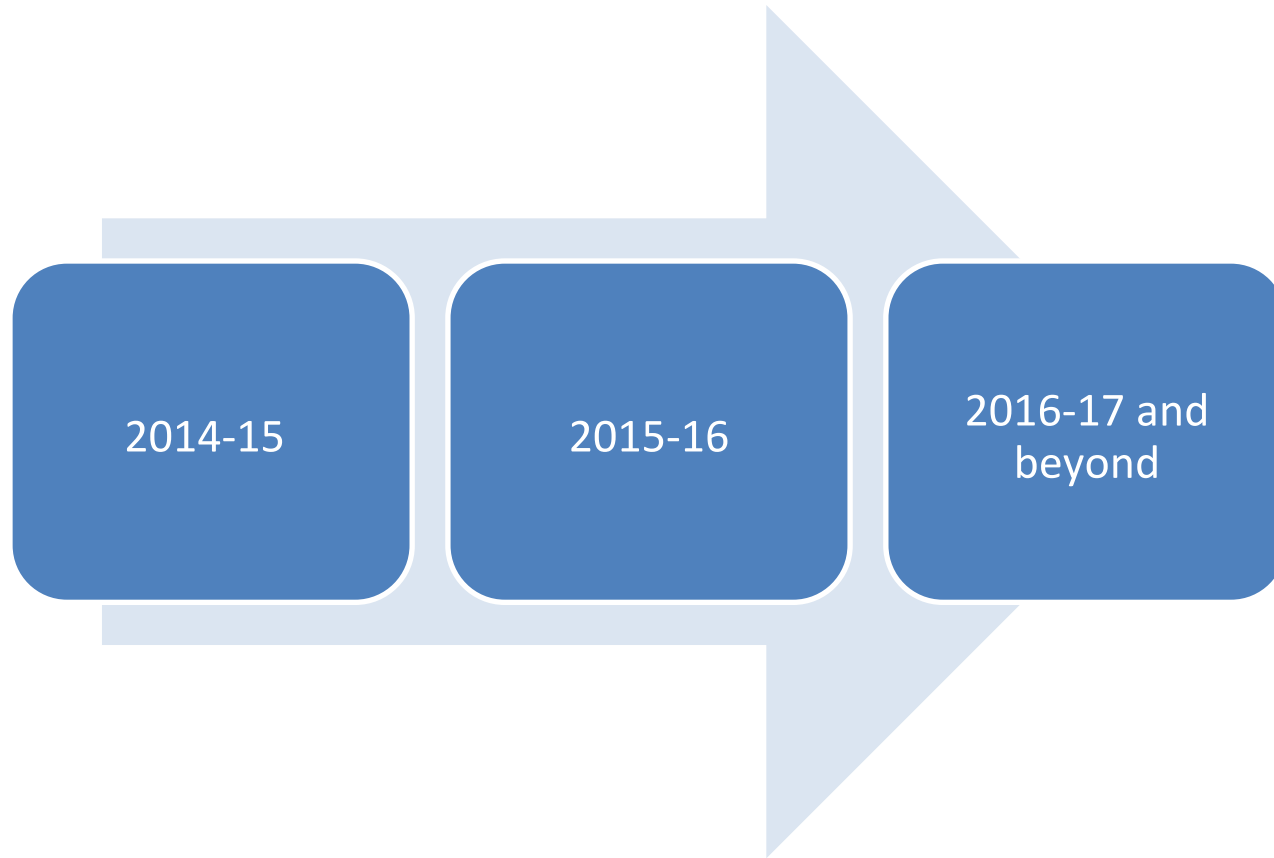
Effective MTSS

- Learning is accelerated
- Fewer students are at risk over time
- Decisions about who needs Tier 2 or Tier 3 interventions are reliable and can be made rapidly
- Rates of intervention success are high
- Key decision makers look at the effects of implementation and troubleshoot regularly
- Resources are allocated efficiently

Multi-tiered System of Supports



Scaling Up: Tiers of Literacy Supports



SY 14-15

Summary of Status

- Closing the achievement gap in literacy is about high quality, targeted instruction
- Intervention materials inconsistent across schools
- Disconnection between Tier 1 and other tiers
- Lack of web-based supplemental core, acceleration, and intervention supports
- Need for additional supports to schools in the areas of data-based decision making and documentation

SY 15-16 Current Strategy

Core Curriculum, Instruction & Intervention

- Consistent guidance around the literacy block across all schools
- Equity purchase - Intervention Materials
- Targeted acceleration strategies for “Intensive Elementary Schools”
 - K-2 Grade Release - Foundational Skills
 - Lexia Core 5 - web-based supplemental core resource
- Internal program evaluation of Read 180 and System 44 for purpose of informing implementation efforts
- Coaching and focus on fidelity of implementation
- Initial use of district-wide documentation system



SY 16-17 Future Strategy

Core Curriculum, Instruction & Intervention

- Differentiation and intensification of core instruction to meet the needs of all learners (e.g., students who need more challenge and students who need to acquire skills)
- Using data to determine type of intervention within core instruction (classwide, small group)
- Increase reliable decision making at middle and high school levels for tier 2 and tier 3 interventions
- Guidance to schools around allocation, scheduling, & resources needed to implement interventions
- Consistent use of district documentation system
- Internal use of intervention dashboard to assess effectiveness (growth) of strategies over time



Results to Date: Acceleration Strategy

Review of District Level Data - Intensive Schools

- Supplemental web-based tool to support core foundational skills during independent work time
- Instructional branching - differentiates levels of support after initial placement
- “Assessment without Testing” - increases academic engaged time & pinpoints skills that need to be taught
- Promotes home-school collaboration through materials/resources
- Initial implementation data reveals a substantial increase in on-track status and decrease in risk status

Students Meeting Recommended Minutes (8+ weeks)

Progress in Core5 during 2015-2016 School Year (N=1,815)

