

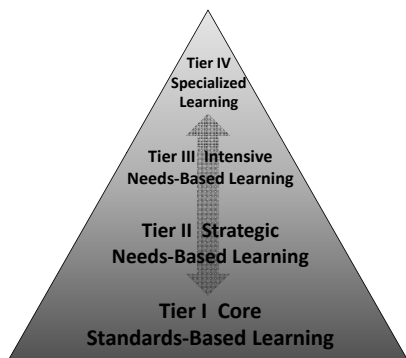
The RtI Challenge:

How to Create and Deliver an Integrated Instructional Framework with Fidelity



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The RtI Framework



Two purposes of RtI

To improve the educational outcome for each and every child through a multi-tiered, data driven **process** that utilizes a problem-solving method.

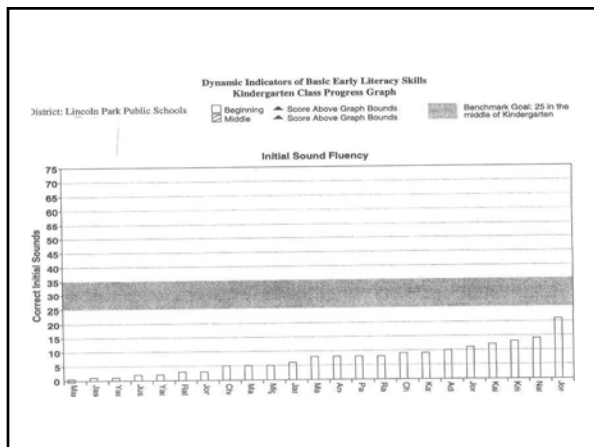
To establish a **process** to assist in the identification of students with specific learning disabilities.

For RtI to be successful, both processes need to be implemented with fidelity.

Fidelity of Implementation

Fidelity is the delivery of a program, intervention or system as it is intended with accuracy and consistency.

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THE IMPLEMENTATION DIP....

THE POSSIBILITY CURVE..



Fullan-1990

Leaders find other leaders.

If fidelity of implementation is paramount to RtI's success, then variability in the process is the factor that can destroy it.

What is a policy?

A policy is a definite course or method of action selected from alternatives to guide and determine present and future decisions.

Policies set direction in an organization, to put objectives, goals and philosophies into play in pursuit of the vision.

What is a process?

A process is created in response to a policy. It is a method or operation whereby a result or effect is produced.

A total redesign process allows the stakeholders and the process an opportunity to *learn* over time.

What are procedures?

Procedures are the set of instructions that outline the steps for consistently performing a task in order to accomplish an end result.

Benefits of Written Procedures

- Quick and simple access to RtI forms
- Decreased need for staff training
- Decreased amount of errors during each implementation stage
- Transfer of knowledge by staff members into the following school year
- Growth and assimilation of the process throughout each school and school district

RtI procedures are written for:

Building administrators and school staff

Special education department staff

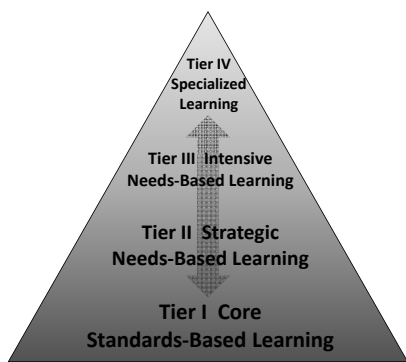
Auditors/monitors

The Design of an RtI Framework Has 3 Essential Components

- Design a delivery system with multiple tiers of interventions.
- Establish an integrated assessment/data collection system to inform decisions at each tier.
- Utilize a problem solving method.

Batsche et al, 2006

The RtI Framework



Establish an integrated assessment/data collection system

Identify academic and behavioral strengths and needs of all students

Monitor students' progress during the year

Make informed decisions to meet the critical learning needs of individual students

Evaluate overall effectiveness of instructional program to determine if all students achieved grade-level standards

Benchmark/Screening Assessments

Used to assess academic and behavioral strengths and needs of all students

Local norm is derived from benchmark data

Progress monitoring

Brief measures that are used to continuously assess

- students' academic and/or behavioral performance
- the effectiveness of instruction

Diagnostic Assessments

In depth assessments that are administered to students who are considered to be at-risk in order to identify the specific area of weakness

Outcome-based Assessments

Provide summative data on broad abilities and is closely related to expected grade-level content standards

Looks at student performance-what they can actually do after they are taught

Purposes for Assessment

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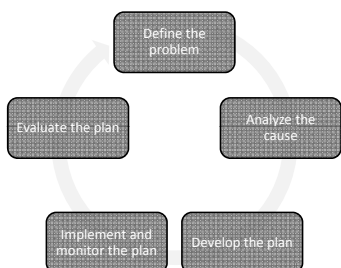
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Comprehensive Assessment Plan

Assessment Category	Assessment Schedule	Students Assessed	Assessment Tools
Benchmark/Screening	September, January and May ELL students are screened 1x per year	All Students	DIBELS K-6 DRA K-6 MLPP K-2 ELPA screener
Progress Monitoring	Determined by level of intervention	All Students/ Selected Students	Running Records Classroom based assessments DIBELS AIMSweb Math
Diagnostic	As Needed	Selected Students	Selection based on area of need
Outcome	Quarterly-annual	All Students ELL students	MEAP (Gr. 3-6) Math quarterly assessments ELA end of unit tests ELPA

The Problem-Solving Method



Implementation of an RtI Framework

An RtI procedures manual contains:

- A school/district level RtI plan
- A comprehensive assessment plan
- Definition of terms
- Documentation

Important Features of Procedures

1. Procedures are written in active voice.

The classroom teacher **will submit** a Request for Support form to the building administrator.

The Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA) is administered to each first grade student by the classroom teacher.

2. Procedures are specific.

The fidelity checklist is the responsibility of the building administrator.

3. Procedures tell **what** and **how** to do a task.

A member of the RtI assessment team monitors the student's progress 2x per month.

4. Procedures include materials and resources as well as time frame.

The general education classroom teacher brings the student's classroom-based assessment data, MEAP scores, attendance records, discipline logs, progress reports/current grades and student work samples to the follow-up Student Support Team (SST) meeting.

5. Procedures include documentation requirements.

The classroom teacher completes the Teacher Recommendation for Tier IB Support form and submits it to the building administrator. (See Appendix A:1)

The school psychologist brings the Consent for a General Education Diagnostic Assessment form to the follow-up Student Support Team (SST) meeting.
(See Appendix A:15)

6. Procedures are written at a reading level that can be easily understood.

The SST building leader gives a copy of the SST Intervention Plan to the District RtI Coordinator.

7. Procedures are not to be confused with guidelines.

Members of the team will use the RtI data to determine if the student has a specific learning disability.

If the Student Support Team (SST) recommends that the student receive a special education evaluation, the school psychologist schedules a Review of Existing Evaluation Data (REED) meeting at the conclusion of the SST meeting.

Flowcharts are not procedures

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Case Study, Toby

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**Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills
First Grade Class List Report**

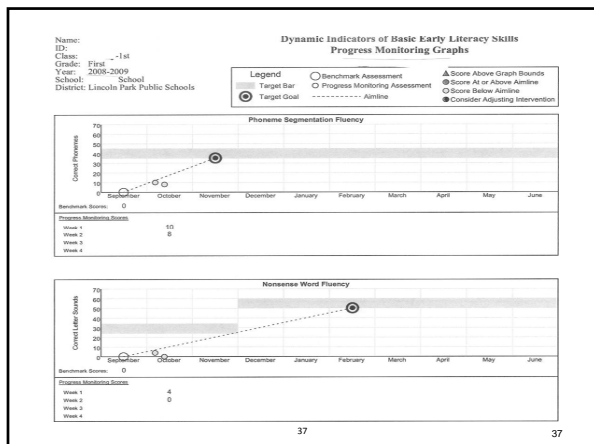
District: Lincoln Park Public Schools
School:
Date: September, 2008-2009
Chart:

Note: Scores provide an indication of performance only. If there is any concern about the accuracy of scores for an individual student, performance should be verified by retesting to validate score for support.

Student	Letter Naming Fluency Grade 17 score range		Phoneme Segmentation Grade 17 score range		Nonword Fluency Grade 14 score range		Instructional Recommendations
	Score	Status	Score	Status	Score	Status	
8	Ar risk	0	Deficit	0	Ar Risk	Intensive - Needs Substantial Intervention	
49	Low risk	12	Emerging	0	Ar Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
211	Ar risk	2	Deficit	1	Ar Risk	Intensive - Needs Substantial Intervention	
212	Some risk	10	Emerging	1	Ar Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
213	Some risk	10	Emerging	1	Ar Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
214	Low risk	62 > 99	Established	19	Ar Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
16	Ar risk	4	Deficit	1	Ar Risk	Intensive - Needs Substantial Intervention	
17	Ar risk	31	Emerging	9	Ar Risk	Intensive - Needs Substantial Intervention	
49	Low risk	9	Deficit	11	Ar Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
22	Ar risk	1	Deficit	13	Some Risk	Intensive - Needs Substantial Intervention	
21	Ar risk	11	Emerging	13	Some Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
19	Some risk	19	Emerging	14	Some Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
21	Low risk	24	Emerging	15	Some Risk	Benchmark - At Grade Level	
24	Some risk	22	Emerging	15	Some Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
23	Low risk	2	Deficit	20	Some Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
49	Low risk	49	Established	20	Some Risk	Benchmark - At Grade Level	
17	Ar risk	10	Emerging	22	Some Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
21	Some risk	38	Established	22	Some Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
44	Low risk	43	Established	22	Some Risk	Benchmark - At Grade Level	
49	Low risk	6	Deficit	23	Some Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
30	Some risk	3	Deficit	23	Some Risk	Strategic - Additional Intervention	
21	Low risk	58	Established	23	Low Risk	Benchmark - At Grade Level	
49	Low risk	26	Emerging	23	Low Risk	Benchmark - At Grade Level	
29	Some risk	39	Established	24	Low Risk	Benchmark - At Grade Level	
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First Grade Class List Report, 06/30/2009, 1

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**Public Schools
Student Support Team (SST)
Request for Support (Elementary)**

General Information

Student Name _____ Date _____
School _____ ID Number _____
Grade _____ Teacher(s) _____
DOB _____ Native Language _____
Home Phone _____
If attendance is a concern? If yes, state the no. of tardiness reports _____ no. of absences _____
How was the parent notified of request for support? _____ letter _____ phone _____ other _____
When was the parent notified of request for support? _____
Important physical or medical information: _____

Reason for Request _____ Academic _____ Behavioral

Did the student receive Response-to-Intervention support in the past? If yes, explain _____
What are the student's strengths and interests? _____
In 25 words or more, please describe the specific concern: _____
If it is a behavioral concern, in what situations and/or settings does the behavior occur most frequently? _____

Assessment Data

List the most recent data collected. Include classroom based assessments as well as benchmark and progress monitoring assessment data.

Assessment	Date	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
CBLE 1 Benchmark													
CBLE 2 Progress Monitoring													
CBLE 3 Progress Monitoring													
Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA)													
MAP 1000 Recognition													
MAP 1000 Fluency													
MAP 1000 Comprehension													
Other													

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**Student Support Team
Request for Support**

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Student Name _____ Date _____

Instructional strategies/interventions tried prior to request (if appropriate, attach sample work)

Strategy/Intervention	Duration	Person(s) Responsible	Effectiveness
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____

What impact did the instructional strategies/interventions have on the student's performance? _____

Classroom Observation

If it is an academic concern, what is the best time to observe the student? _____
If it is a behavioral concern, what is the best time to observe the student? _____

Additional Comments

Teacher signature _____ Date _____
Building Administrator signature _____ Date request received _____
Student Support Team Member signature _____

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Public Schools
Student Support Team Intervention Plan
(Elementary)

Check one: Initial _____ Follow-up _____

Student _____ Grade _____ Date _____
 School _____ Teacher _____

State Concern _____

Fidelity of Instruction/Intervention

Tier 1 Is school attendance a concern? yes no. If yes, describe action steps _____

Was Tier 1 instruction implemented with fidelity? yes no. If no, describe action steps to improve fidelity _____

Tier 2 or Tier 3 (If initial plan, list Tier 1 strategies implemented in classroom)

Intervention utilized _____
 Begin Date _____ End Date _____ Person(s) responsible _____

Intervention utilized _____
 Begin Date _____ End Date _____ Person(s) responsible _____

Was the intervention plan implemented with fidelity? Yes No
 If no, please explain _____

Evaluate Academic Progress

List the most recent data collected. Include classroom-based assessments as well as benchmark and progress monitoring assessment data.

DRELE Benchmark	Date	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF
DRELE Progress Monitoring	Date	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF
DRELE Progress Monitoring	Date	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF
DRELE Progress Monitoring	Date	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF
Other _____	Date						

By _____
 Role of student _____
 Role of teacher _____
 Role of parent _____
 Role of other _____

Evaluate Behavioral Progress

List the most recent data collected. Include frequency and time of day that behaviors occurred _____

By _____
 Role of student _____
 Role of teacher _____
 Role of parent _____
 Role of other _____

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Student _____ Date _____

After reviewing the results, what action does the team feel is appropriate?

1. Initiate the intervention(s) _____ Tier 1 _____ Tier 2 _____ Tier 3 _____
2. Continue the intervention(s) _____ Tier 1 _____ Tier 2 _____ Tier 3 _____
3. Discontinue intervention and return to _____ Tier 1 _____ Tier 2 _____ Tier 3 _____
4. Initiate special education evaluation _____

Goal Statement (Goals must be measurable)

By the end of _____ weeks, _____ will be able to segment 3 and 4 phoneme words at a rate of _____

By the end of _____ weeks, _____ will be able to blend CVC sounds into words at a rate of _____

By the end of _____ weeks, _____ will be able to read at a rate of _____ words per minute

By the end of _____ weeks, _____ will be able to _____

Describe the intervention and any resources necessary for its implementation _____

Begin Date _____ Person responsible _____
 Frequency _____ Intensity _____ Duration _____
 Begin Date _____ Person responsible _____ Duration _____
 Frequency _____ Intensity _____ Duration _____
 Progress monitoring _____ weekly _____ bi-weekly _____ monthly
 Planed will be provided progress monitoring results every _____ weeks

Student Support Team Members Present

Name	Title
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Next Meeting Date: _____

Building Administrator signature _____ Date _____

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Stage	Grade	DRA Level	Fountas/Pinnell	DRA Pacing
Early Emergent	K	A	A	Kindergarten
	K	1	A	A,1,2,3
	K	2	B	January-May
	K,1	3	C	1st/ 3-5
Upper Emergent	1	4	C	September-December
	1	6	D	
	1	8	E	1st/8-12
	1	10	F	January-March
	1	12	G	1st/14-16
	1	14	H	
Early Fluency	1	16	I	April-May
	2	18	J	2nd Grade
	2	20	K	18-20 Sept.-December
	2	24	L	24-28 January-May
Fluency	2	28	M	3rd Grade
	3	30	N	
	3	34	O	September-May
	3	38	P	4th Grade
4	40	Q		
Proficiency	4	44	R	September-May
	4	48	S	5th Grade
	5	50	T	
	5	54	U	
	5	58	V	September-May
	5	60	W	
	5	64	X	6th Grade
5	68	Y		
+	68+	Z		

DIBELS Benchmark Goals and Indicators of Risk						
First Grade						
DIBELS Measure	Beginning of Year Month 1-3		Middle of Year Month 4-6		End of Year Month 7-10	
	Scores	Status	Scores	Status	Scores	Status
Letter Naming Fluency (LNF)	0 - 24	At Risk	Not administered during this assessment period		Not administered during this assessment period	
	25 - 36	Some Risk	Not administered during this assessment period		Not administered during this assessment period	
Phoneme Segmentation Fluency (PSF)	0 - 9	Deficit	0 - 9	Deficit	0 - 9	Deficit
	10 - 34	Emerging	10 - 34	Emerging	10 - 34	Emerging
Nonsense Word Fluency (NWF)	0 - 12	At Risk	0 - 29	Deficit	0 - 29	Deficit
	13 - 23	Some Risk	30 - 49	Emerging	30 - 49	Emerging
Oral Reading Fluency (ORF)	24 and above	Low Risk	50 and above	Established	50 and above	Established
	Not administered during this assessment period		0 - 7	At Risk	0 - 19	At Risk
Retell Fluency (RTF) (Optional)	Not administered during this assessment period		8 - 19	Some Risk	20 - 39	Some Risk
	Not administered during this assessment period		20 and above	Low Risk	40 and above	Low Risk

BENCHMARK GOALS FOR THIS MEASURE HAVE NOT YET BEEN ESTABLISHED. Preliminary evidence indicates that for students to be on track with comprehension they should meet both of the following criteria: 1) meet the Oral Reading Fluency benchmark goal and 2) have a retell score of at least 25% of their Oral Reading Fluency score.

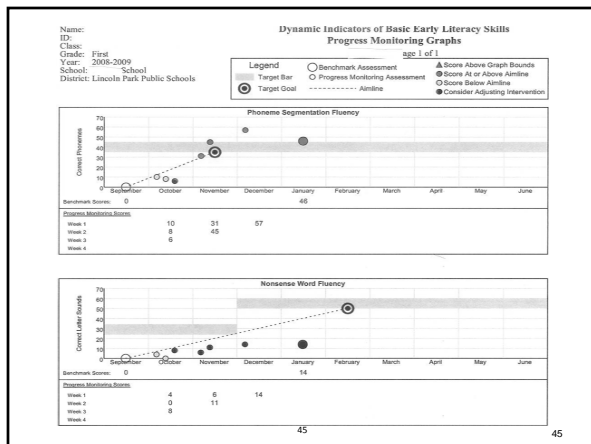
Samples of Measurable Goals

By the end of _____ weeks, _____ will be able to identify _____ phonemes in the initial position of words.

By the end of _____ weeks, _____ will be able to segment 3 and 4 phoneme words into individual phonemes at a rate of _____ correct phonemes per minute.

By the end of _____ weeks, _____ will be able to blend CVC sounds into words at a rate of _____ correct letter sounds per minute.

By the end of _____ weeks, _____ will be able to read at a rate of _____ correct words per minute.



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	4	40	Q	4th Grade
	4	44	R	September-May
	4	48	S	
	5	50	T	5th Grade
	5	54	U	September-May
	5	58	V	
	6	60	W	6th Grade
6	64	X		
6	68	Y	September-May	
+	68+	Z		

2005 Hasbrouck & Tindal Oral Reading Fluency Data

Jan Hasbrouck and Gerald Tindal completed an extensive study of oral reading fluency in 2005. The results of their study are published in the technical report, "Oral Reading Fluency: 90 Years of Measurement," (<http://www.washburn.edu/~nwh/reading.html>) and in the article, "Oral Reading Fluency Norms: A Valuable Assessment Tool..." in the April 2008 issue of *The Reading Teacher* (<http://www.reading.org/publications/journals/RT/>).

The table below shows the mean oral reading fluency of students in grades 1 through 8 as determined by Hasbrouck and Tindal's data.

You can use the information in this table to draw conclusions and make decisions about the oral reading fluency of your students. Students who score 10 or more words below the 80th percentile using the average score of two unpracticed readings from grade-level materials need a fluency-building program. In addition, teachers can use the table to set the long-term fluency goals for their struggling readers.

Average weekly improvement is the average words per week growth you can expect from a student. It was calculated by subtracting the fall score from the spring score and dividing the difference by 35, the typical number of weeks between the fall and spring assessments. For grade 1, since there is no fall assessment, the average weekly improvement was calculated by subtracting the winter score from the spring score and dividing the difference by 18, the typical number of weeks between the winter and spring assessments.

Grade	Percentile	Fall WCPM*	Winter WCPM*	Spring WCPM*	Avg. Weekly Improvement**
1	90	81	82	111	1.8
	75	67	82	102	2.2
	50	23	83	93	1.9
	25	12	28	83	1.9
	10	6	15	60	0.6
2	90	108	125	142	1.1
	75	79	100	117	1.2
	50	51	72	89	1.2
	25	25	42	61	1.1
	10	11	18	31	0.6
3	90	128	148	162	1.1
	75	99	120	137	1.2
	50	71	92	107	1.1
	25	44	62	78	1.1
	10	21	36	48	0.8
4	90	145	166	180	1.1
	75	119	139	152	1.0
	50	94	112	123	0.9
	25	68	87	98	0.9
	10	45	61	72	0.8
5	90	166	182	194	0.9
	75	139	159	168	0.9
	50	110	122	130	0.9
	25	85	99	109	0.8
	10	61	74	83	0.7
6	90	177	195	204	0.8
	75	153	187	177	0.8
	50	127	140	150	0.7
	25	96	111	122	0.8
	10	68	82	93	0.8
7	90	180	192	203	0.7
	75	166	185	177	0.7
	50	128	136	150	0.7
	25	102	109	123	0.7
	10	79	88	98	0.8
8	90	185	199	199	0.4
	75	151	173	177	0.5
	50	133	146	151	0.6
	25	106	118	124	0.6
	10	77	84	97	0.6

Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills Progress Monitoring Graphs

Name: _____
 Class: _____
 Teacher: Lincoln Park Public Schools

LEGEND: □ Benchmark Assessment, ○ Progress Monitoring Assessment, ▲ Score Above Graph Bounds, ● Score Not Above Graph, ○ Grade Below Average, ● Consider Adjusting Intervention

Phoneme Segmentation Fluency

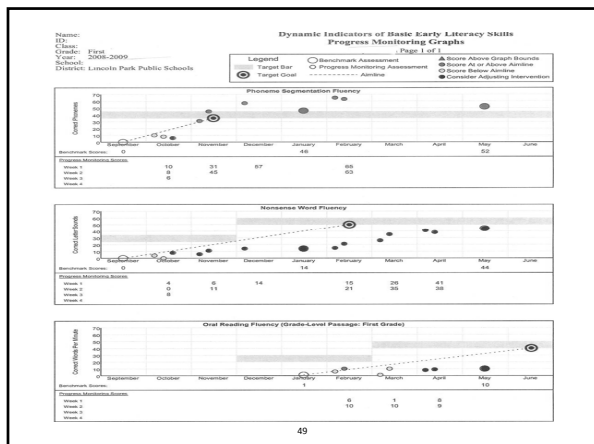
Week	Score
Week 1	10
Week 2	31
Week 3	47
Week 4	55

Nonsense Word Fluency

Week	Score
Week 1	4
Week 2	11
Week 3	14
Week 4	21

Oral Reading Fluency (Grade-Level Passage: First Grade)

Week	Score
Week 1	6
Week 2	10



Compliance

- Always use research-based instruction
- Implement instruction/interventions with fidelity
- Inform parents of student's progress
- Never deny a student access to the general education curriculum
- Do not delay or deny a parent request for a special education evaluation

Simple Integrated Approach

"Simple can be harder than complex. You have to work hard to get your thinking clean to make it simple. But it's worth it in the end because once you get there, you can move mountains." -Steve Jobs, 1998

General Education



What are the Basic Skills?

The National Reading Panel (NRP, 2000) identified 5 essential components of early literacy instruction

- Phonemic Awareness**
- Phonics**
- Vocabulary**
- Reading Fluency**
- Comprehension**

Phonemic Awareness:

The ability to hear, identify and manipulate the individual sounds -phonemes- in spoken words.

Phonics:

The ability to recognize the relationship between the letters (graphemes) of written language and the individual sounds (phonemes) of spoken language.

Fluency:

The ability to read accurately, quickly, and with appropriate intonation and expression.

Reading Comprehension:

“Intentional thinking during which meaning is constructed through interactions between text and reader.”

Harris and Hodges 1995

Vocabulary:

The words a person knows. Speaking, listening, reading and writing vocabulary are learned using different instructional strategies.



How can general education integrate with other education departments?

The **WHAT** of learning-multiple means of representation

The **HOW** of learning-multiple means of action and expression

The **WHY** of learning-multiple means of engagement



How can the remedial education department integrate with the general education department?

How can the English Language Learners department integrate with the general education department?



How can the preschool education department integrate with the general education department?



“The root of reading is language and speech.”

Overcoming Dyslexia, Shaywitz,

Phonological Awareness

- Broad term that includes phonemic awareness
- In addition to phonemes, phonological awareness activities can involve work with rhymes, words, syllables, and onsets and rimes.

Phonemic Awareness and Phonemes

Phonemic Awareness:

The ability to hear, identify, and manipulate the individual sounds – phonemes – in spoken words.

Phoneme:

The smallest part of spoken language that makes a difference in the meaning of words.

Stages of Phonological Awareness Development

- Recognition that sentences are made up of words.
- Recognition that words can rhyme.
- Recognition that words can be broken down into syllables.
- Recognition that words can be broken down into onsets and rhymes.
- Recognition that words can begin with the same sound.
- Recognition that words can end with the same sound.
- Recognition that words can have the same medial sound.

- **Recognition that words can be broken down into individual phonemes.**

Different Linguistic Units

Sentences: The sun shone brightly.

Word: sun

Syllables: sun, sun-shine, sun-ny

Onset-rime: s-un, s-unshine, s-unny


Phoneme: s-u-n, s-u-n-sh-i-ne, s-u-nn-y

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The Progression of Phonemic Awareness Skills

- Isolation
- Identify
- Categorization
- Blending
- Segmentation
- Deletion
- Addition
- Substitution

How can the special education department integrate with the general education department?



Changing Roles

School psychologist
Resource program teacher
Speech and language pathologist

Curriculum Plan

- Curriculum is WHAT you teach.
- Instruction is HOW you teach it.
- Assessment determines if the student has achieved it.
- Evaluation/response is "What do you do if the student hasn't achieved it?"

WJIII Test of Cognitive Abilities

7 Broad CHC Abilities/Processes

Woodcock-Johnson III: Reports, Recommendations, and Strategies

Long-Term Retrieval (Glr)

The ability to store and retrieve information through association.

Short-Term Memory (Gsm)

The ability to hold information for a limited duration with immediate awareness and use it within a few seconds.

Influenced by attention

Processing Speed (Gs)

The ability to perform simple cognitive tasks with automaticity (rapidly and with little thinking)

Influenced by attention

Auditory Processing (Ga)

The ability to analyze, synthesize and discriminate auditory stimuli.

Visual Processing (Gv)

The ability to perceive, analyze and think with visual patterns, spatial orientation and configurations.

Comprehension-Knowledge (Gc)

The ability to acquire and store knowledge from one's experiences, communicate one's knowledge through expressive vocabulary and reason with previously learned procedures in order to transfer knowledge

Described as *crystallized intelligence*

Fluid Reasoning (Gf)

Ability to use inductive and deductive reasoning to form concepts, generate and apply rules to solve novel problems.

Described as *fluid intelligence*

R340.1745 of MARSE

Services for students with speech and language impairment

All of the following provisions are specific requirements for speech and language services:

- (a) The speech and language services provided by the authorized provider of speech and language services shall be based on the needs of a student with a disability as determined by the individualized education program team after reviewing a diagnostic report provided by an authorized provider of speech and language services.
- (b) , (c), (d)

Section 300.34(c)(15) of IDEA 2004

Speech-language pathology services include:

- Identification of children with speech and language impairments;
- Diagnosis and appraisal of specific speech or language impairments;
- Referral for medical or other professional attention necessary for the habilitation of speech or language impairments;
- Provision of speech and language services for the habilitation or prevention of communicative impairments; and
- Counseling and guidance of parents, children and teachers regarding speech and language.

Speech differences
Speech delays
Speech disorders

The Source for RtI, [Linguisystems](http://Linguisystems.com)

Why would you try to correct the way a preschool student articulates sounds when he has not been taught to distinguish sounds?

Early phonemic awareness skills should be learned first before speech therapy is initiated.

What is Language?

Language is a set of symbols. These symbols represent concepts that can be combined or rearranged to generate new complex meanings. Language is the understanding and the expression of our thoughts, ideas and feelings through the modalities of listening, speaking, reading and writing.

Language serves two primary functions

It enables human beings to communicate.

It enables human beings to think.

Two types of Thinking

Critical Thinking-the ability to think logically, to formulate and analyze concepts, to solve problems, to form and support judgments, to understand cause and effect, draw inferences and use reasoning.

Creative Thinking-the ability to use one's imagination in order to invent, generate ideas, solve problems, predict and elaborate.

What is Communication?

Communication is the exchange of information, ideas and feelings between people. People exchange information in many ways-through different facial expressions, body language, gestures, oral language, reading and writing.

In order for effective communication to take place, people must agree on the meaning of the symbols (words).

When communication occurs, a person sends a message and another person receives it.

Language Development consists of two systems

Receptive language-the ability to receive the message through the modalities of listening and reading and assign meaning to it. This is semantic knowledge.

Expressive language-the ability to use semantic knowledge through the modalities of speaking and writing.

Language is governed by

- **Semantics**-the ability to comprehend the message and assign meaning to it.
- **Syntax**-the ability to understand the grammatical rules governing correct word order.
- **Morphology**-the ability to understand the rules that govern word agreement.
- **Pragmatics**-the ability to express utterances in appropriate situations.
- **Phonology**-the ability to express utterances with correct sound production.

Vocabulary

Vocabulary development is an example of semantic knowledge.

Vocabulary is **WORD POWER**.

Four types of Vocabulary

- Listening
- Speaking/Oral
- Reading
- Writing

Vocabulary

How is vocabulary learned?

How is vocabulary taught?

Research about Vocabulary

- Kindergarten students' vocabulary size is a predictor of comprehension in middle school. (Scarborough, 1998)
- Students with poor vocabulary by third grade have declining text comprehension scores in fourth and fifth grade. (Chall, Jacobs and Baldwin, 1990)
- A single book reading improved significantly children's expressive vocabulary. (Senechal and Cornell, 1993)

The National Reading Panel recommends that

1. Vocabulary skills should be taught directly and indirectly.
2. Students should be given many repetitions of vocabulary words in a variety of situations.
3. Vocabulary should be taught in rich context.
4. Vocabulary should be taught through active learning.

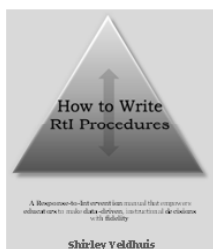
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School Psychologist
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Resource Program Teacher
Recommendation

Speech and Language
Pathologist Recommendation

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