

Currituck County Schools is committed to providing high-quality instruction and support to promote the highest achievement of all students.

What is MTSS?

Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) is a term used to describe a model of schooling, supported by research, that uses information gathering and problem-solving to improve instruction and provide academic and behavioral interventions to support struggling students..

MTSS is a framework to ensure all students are prepared to succeed in life academically, behaviorally, and socially/emotionally.

A successful MTSS meets the needs of ALL students through instruction and intervention.

Key Components of MTSS

- High-quality instruction
- Universal screening
- Data-based problem solving
- Early intervention
- Intervention matched to student needs
- Frequent progress monitoring



Tiers

MTSS organizes academic, behavioral, and social emotional interventions into tiers, or levels of support.

Tier 1 – All students receive high quality instruction and behavioral support in the general education classroom.

Tier 2 – In addition to Tier 1, students needing more support also receive small-group intervention. Intervention allows for more time in instruction, instruction provided on the student's level, and instruction provided in smaller groups.

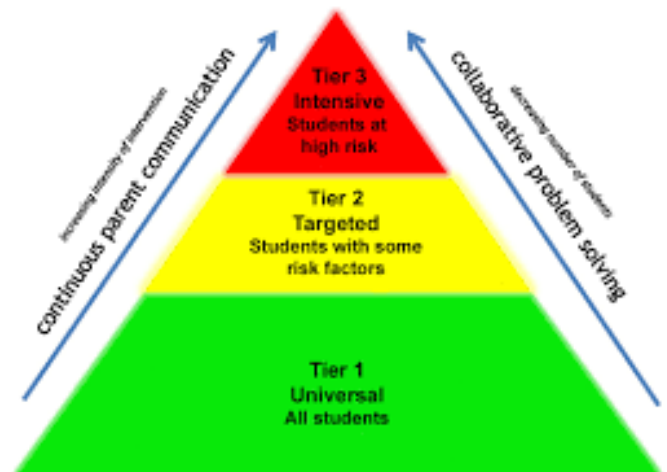
Tier 3 – In addition to Tiers 1 and 2, students receiving Tier 3 intervention receive the most intensive supports based on individual need. This includes intervention targeting skill weaknesses and even smaller group sizes

What can I expect with MTSS?

- Frequent updates of student progress
- Early identification of academic or behavioral concerns at the first signs of difficulty.
- Help for your child that increases or decreases depending on his or her needs.
- Information and involvement in planning and providing intervention to help your child.
- Information about how your child is responding to the interventions being provided.
- MTSS can not delay evaluation, but it can happen concurrently with a suspected disability.

What do I do if I believe my child is struggling?

- Talk with your child's teacher.
- Review and assist with homework assignments.
- Ask for regular progress monitoring reports.
- Celebrate your child's success. Learn more about the curriculum, assessments and interventions being used in your child's school.
- Participate in conferences and other meetings about your child.
- If you feel that your child has a disability, you have the right to request an evaluation. The school team will work with you to help determine if an evaluation is necessary or if there are supports that can be provided first



What is the role of the parent?

Parents should participate in discussions with their child's teacher about their child's specific strengths and area(s) of need. If your child is participating in a Tier 2 or 3 intervention, ask school staff which areas are being addressed and how your child's progress is being monitored. Most importantly, parents should ask what they can do to support progress at home.

Parents should also ask when and how their child's teacher will update them on their child's progress in intervention. When possible, parents should share what they know works at home.

Finally, parents should praise their children for making progress in their area(s) of concern and continue to communicate with school staff to keep that progress going.

Additional Tips for Parents

- Get to know your child's teacher.
- Become familiar with the skills your child is expected to learn academically and socially.
- Have a clear understanding of what grade-level performance looks like.
- Read with your child every night.
- Help with homework assignments.
- Attend conferences/meetings about your child.

Where can I find additional information on the Multi-Tiered System of Supports?

Discover more about how the [MTSS model](#) is implemented across Currituck County Schools.

[Watch this video for an overview.](#)

[NCDPI parent resources](#)



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Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)

A Parent Resource Guide: What is MTSS and How Can It Help Your Child?

