

## Supporting High Quality Implementation of Multi-Tier Systems of Supports/RTI: Nobody Said It Would Be “Easy”

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## TRANSPARENCY IS IMPORTANT TO ME

- I Will Use Specific Program Examples for Intervention Programs and Strategies that I Considers Research-Based
- They May Not Be YOUR CHOICES, But Consider What the Examples Represent! Build YOUR Plan!
- Mark Has No Financial Interest in the SPECIFIC Intervention EXAMPLES (See Disclosure)

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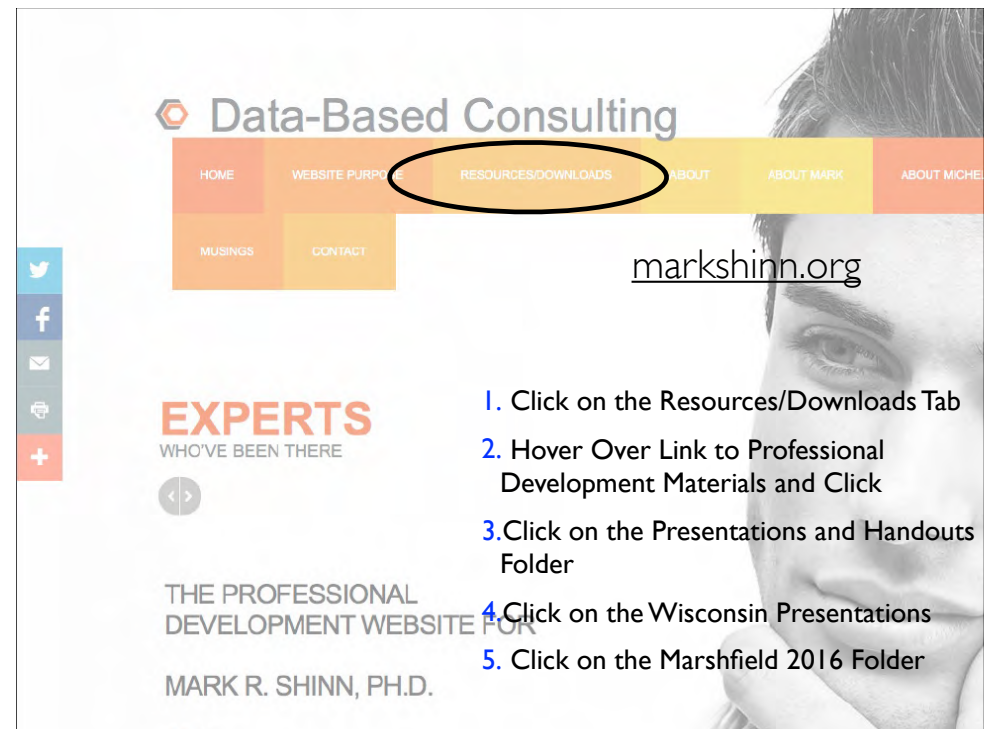
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## PROFESSIONAL

- Professor of School Psychology, National Louis University 2003-Present
- Professor of School Psychology and Special Education, University of Oregon 1984-2003
- Author of 5 Edited Books, More than 100 Journal Articles and Book Chapters in the Areas of Basic Skills Progress Monitoring and Screening and Use in a MTSS/RTI Model
- Consultant and Staff Development to Schools and State Departments of Education in 43 States, Most Recently with the Tennessee Department of Education, Iowa Department of Education, Virginia Department of Education, and Schools in Alaska, Texas, and Washington
- Recipient of More than \$4 million in Federal Personnel Preparation and Research Grants in Basic Skills Progress Monitoring and Screening

## MANY ELEMENTS OF THIS PRESENTATION ARE INCLUDED IN—OR LOOK FORWARD TO

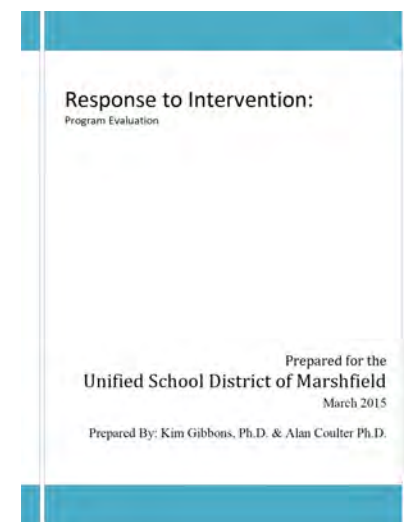
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## MTSS SHOULD ENABLE THIS...

- Intensive, Comprehensive Reading and Research-Based PROGRAM, with Attention to Multi-Syllabic Words and Word Knowledge, at least 75 minutes per day.
- Additional Language Intervention, Especially Vocabulary
- A Behavior Support Plan Emphasizing Effort and Motivation
- Extensive "Guided Reading" with Corrective Feedback
- Extensive Wide Reading of Suitable Difficulty Materials, Inside and Outside of School
- Weekly Progress Monitoring Using CBM with Goal That Reduces the GAP
- Supported by General Education Teaching Practices That Enhance Content Area Learning...for All (SOLID R-B Curriculum and Content Learning Continuum; CLC; SIM)

## I STARTED HERE



# KEY ITEMS I WANT TO HIT

Interventionists are in place, but there is a

lack of consistency in standard interventions,

movement across tiers,

decision-making rules, and

progress monitoring practices.

There is a lack of formal problem solving teams and the use of a problem solving decision-making model.

...teachers and paraprofessionals report concerns for more information about the concepts and application of RtI. In some instances, teachers indicate a low level of awareness of RtI. Teachers report having little or no professional development about RtI. There is a wide-spread need for accurate, practical information about RtI customized to the needs of the district.

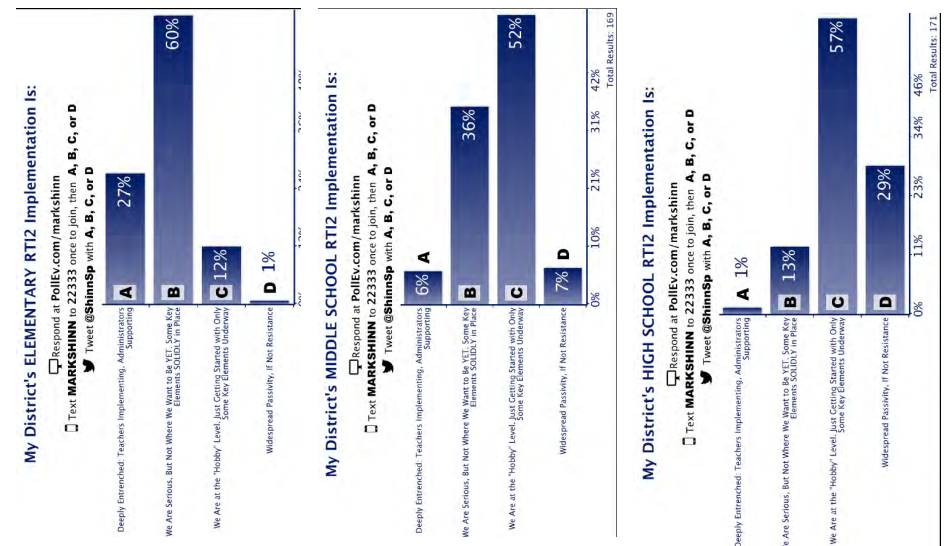
A core instruction problem exists in both reading and math. Professional development and coaching needs to be provided to general education teachers to increase the percent of students reaching grade level proficiency targets



## SECONDARY BIG IDEAS

1. Secondary RtI Implementation Lags Behind Elementary...For Good Reason
2. Secondary RtI Has Been Pitched Poorly to Secondary Teachers and Administrators—And Incorrectly
3. Secondary RtI Should Make the Difficult Job of Teaching Easier AND Increase Student Achievement
4. A Strong Foundation of CORE Principles/Practices Makes the Difference

## SEE THE PATTERN?



## LESSONS LEARNED

Make Sure All of Us Understand  
the Purpose of Tiered Services

## COMMUNICATE WHAT MTSS/RTI CAN OFFER SECONDARY TEACHERS

- ✓ Opportunities to Ensure We ALL Provide Students Learning Strategies and Skills Essential to School Success
- ✓ Identification and Scheduled, Powerful Early Intervention for Students with Severe Basic Skills Deficits
- ✓ Making TEACHING for ALL of Us a Bit “Easier”  
Students with Strong Basic Skills Are FAR EASIER to Teach!



FULLAN IDENTIFIES A STRONG MORAL PURPOSE



Being Ready for College

or

Ready for Employment is a Civil  
Rights Issue



BIG IDEA FOR  
STUDENTS AND FAMILIES



Students Get the **Services They  
Need...**

*As Soon As They Need Them!*



# BIG IDEA FOR EDUCATORS



**Better Tools**

**Better Training**

**More Support**



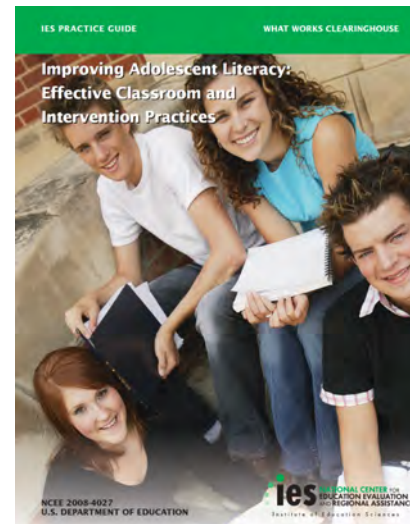
## SECONDARY PATHWAY CONTINUED

9. Make a Commitment to Improve General Education Content Teaching Skills with a Continuous Staff Development Effort Supported by Coaching for:
  - Quality Paper and Electronic Syllabi in a Consistent Format with Websites Across Teachers;
  - Students are Taught—and Expected to Use—A Consistent Note-Taking Strategy Across Classes
  - High Quality Grading System;
  - Training and Coaching In Content Literacy Continuum (CLC) and/or Strategic Instruction Model (SIM)
  - Increased Teaching from a Big Ideas Focus
  - Evidence-Based Strategies to Increase Engagement
10. Shift Related Services Roles to Minimal Testing and Maximum Consultation and Coaching Support; Focus More on Transition Plans Rather than Mindless

## A Secondary MTSS Pathway

1. Commit to Building a Safe, Civil, Environment Conducive to Learning by Effective Behavior Support School- AND Class-wide, and Across Tiers, With Additional Attention to Tardies, Suspension
2. Ensure Students Have Sufficient Basic Skills So They Can Read to Learn Rather than Learn to Read by Strengthening Your CORE (Tier 1) Language Arts Curriculum At Least Grades 6-9
3. Shift Your Basic Skills Screening from Benchmarking to Universal Screening to Individual Screening and Multiple Gating, with a Focus on End-of Year Data
4. Deliver Powerful Tier 2 and 3 Interventions EARLY, Regardless of Credit Consequences and if Electives Are Exhausted, Provide a Clear Credit Recovery Pathway
5. Focus Your Basic Skills Progress Monitoring on Tiers 2 and 3
6. Reduce the Amount of Testing, Especially Multiple Screening and Diagnosis (Instructional Planning)
7. Change Your Special Education Eligibility Process to Clarify Your Special Education Service Delivery Model to Remediating Severe Basic Skill Deficits and Provide Powerful Learning Strategies
8. Change Your Special Education IEP Goals and Progress Monitoring Practice

## WE KNOW SOME TEACHING CONTENT IS ESSENTIAL



Kamil, M. L., Borman, G. D., Dole, J., Kral, C. C., Salinger, T., & Torgesen, J. (2008). Improving Adolescent Literacy: Effective Classroom and Intervention Practices: A Practice Guide. Washington, DC: National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance, Institute of Educational Sciences, U.S. Department of Education.

# EFFECTIVE CLASSROOM AND INTERVENTION PRACTICES: A PRACTICE GUIDE

**Table 2. Recommendations and corresponding levels of evidence to support each**

Recommendation	Level of evidence
1. Provide explicit vocabulary instruction.	Strong
2. Provide direct and explicit comprehension strategy instruction.	Strong
3. Provide opportunities for extended discussion of text meaning and interpretation.	Moderate
4. Increase student motivation and engagement in literacy learning.	Moderate
5. Make available intensive and individualized interventions for struggling readers that can be provided by trained specialists.	Strong

**Provide Explicit Vocabulary Instruction : Strong**

# METHODS FOR IMPROVING CORE INSTRUCTION



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<http://virginia.kucrl.org/overview/project-schools/>

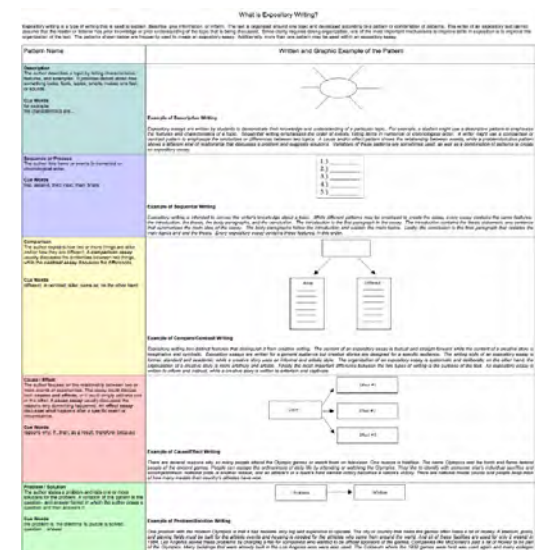
## ALL TEACHERS BENEFIT IF STUDENTS ARE PROFICIENT IN WRITING FORMATS

I Hate It When We EXPECT Students to Write, Especially Persuasively, When They Are Not Proficient in Common Wiring Formats

Focus on WHAT to Write Students to Write, Especially Persuasively, When They Are Not HOW to Write It

## ALL TEACHERS BENEFIT IF STUDENTS ARE PROFICIENT IN WRITING FORMATS

Focus on:  
Descriptive  
Sequential or Process  
Comparison/Compare/Contrast  
Cause/Effect  
Problem/Solution to Write Students to Write





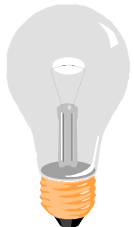
# CLARIFY WHAT INTERVENTION IS AND ISN'T

Content Area Courses

In Special Education

Student Doing Poorly in Social Studies

Student Receives Homework Help, Accommodations (Extended Time, Modified Grades) or "Alternative" Social Studies with Lower Content and Reduced Expectations



## CREATE A MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT FOR YOUR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Without a central philosophy or purpose, special education programs—especially resource rooms—*lack definition and can easily become tutoring programs—or anything else others deem it to be.*

Be proactive in *defining and protecting the purpose and integrity of your program.* The mission or vision statement clarifies the intent of the program, its philosophy, and the core responsibilities of the special education teacher, the paraprofessional, and the students.

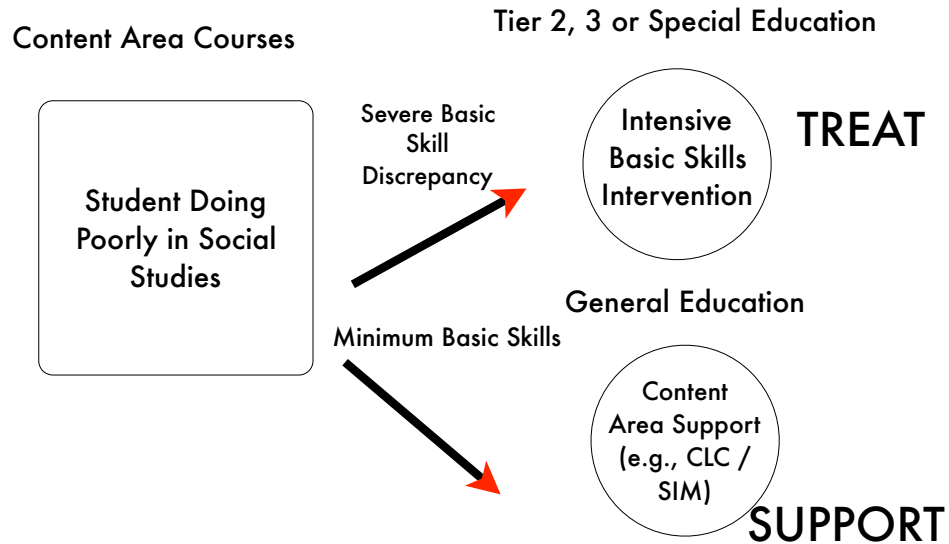
## TUTORING OR HELP WITH HOMEWORK: IT'S NOT "WRONG," BUT IT'S NOT RIGHT...NOR ENOUGH

Pressure from parents, administrators, general educators, and students to provide homework assistance and review or re-teach content-area subject matter..

The "tutoring trap," which is a costly error implemented at the expense of teaching students strategies they can use in content classrooms

(Deshler, Ellis, & Lenz, 1996)

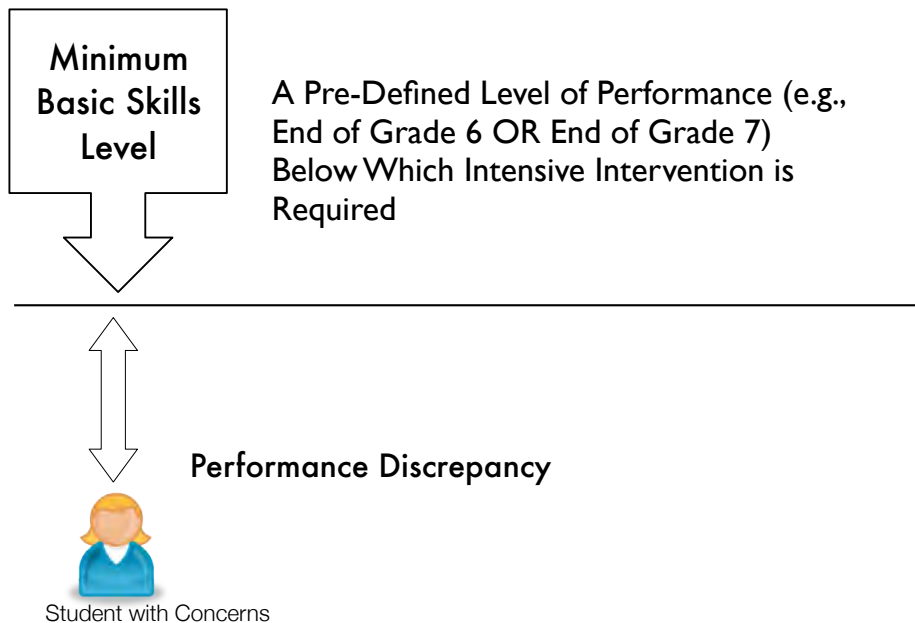
## CLARIFY WHO WE INTERVENE WITH (AND HOW)



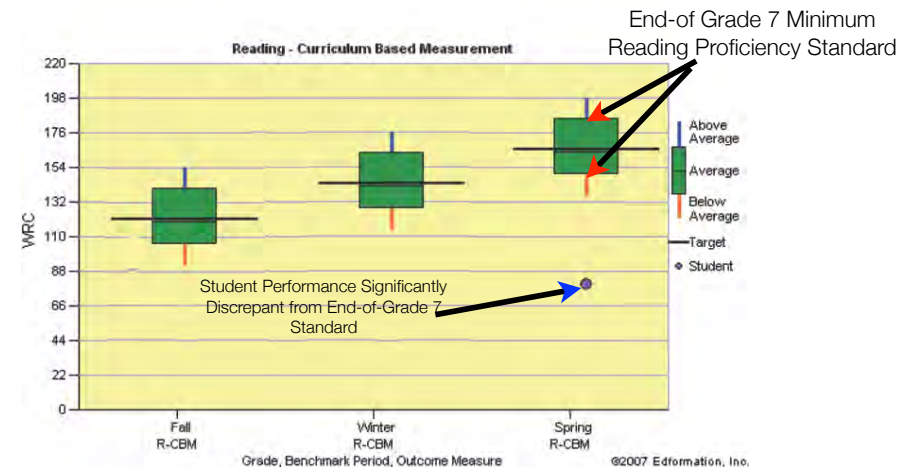
## AT HIGH SCHOOL, DEFINE THE DISCREPANCY FROM A BASIC SKILLS STANDARD!

If a Student Has a Severe Basic Skill Discrepancy (e.g., End-of-Grade 7), an Intensive, Teacher-Directed Will Be Provided—TREATMENT

If a Student Has Minimum BASIC Skills, (e.g., End-of-Grade 7), Student Will RECEIVE SUPPORT (e.g., Through SIM and Effective Behavior Support)

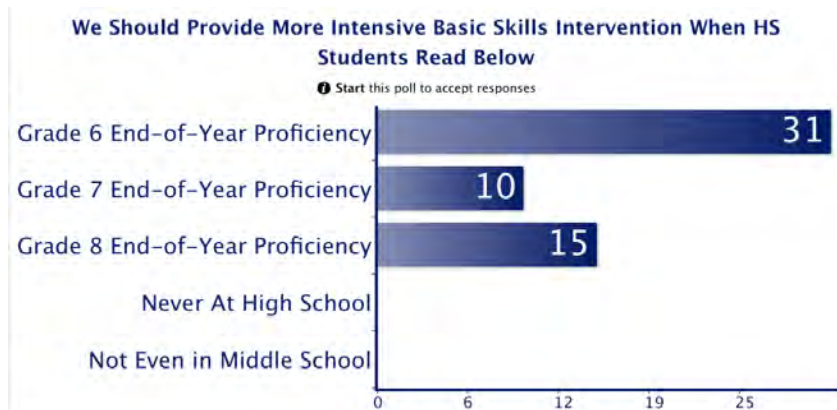


## GRADE 9-12 SLD PERFORMANCE DISCREPANCY



# WHAT DEFINES MINIMUM BASIC SKILLS PROFICIENCY

## NASP WORKSHOP RESPONDENTS



## STANDARDS FOR SCREENING AND PROGRESS MONITORING HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED

Schools Should Use Validated Screening and Progress Monitoring Tests.  
Not All Tests Meet Screening and Progress Monitoring Standards



www.studentprogress.org  
2003-2008



www.rti4success.org  
2008-2013



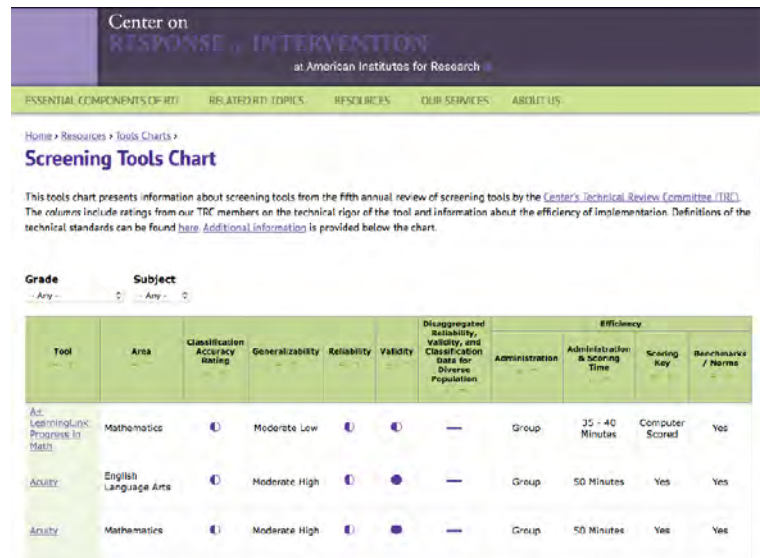
http://www.intensiveintervention.org

## PICK A TIME EFFICIENT, LOW COST, AND SCIENTIFICALLY SOUND SCREENER

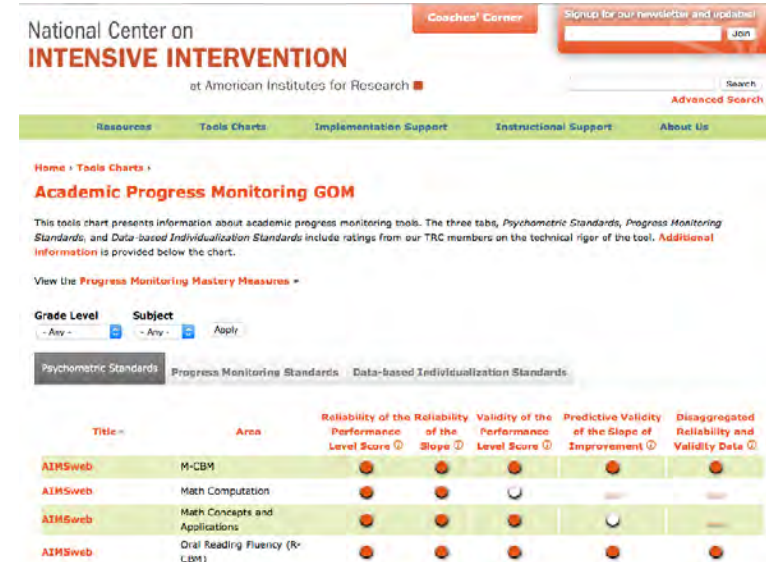
### CBM is

- Easy to Learn How to Administer and Score Accurately
- Time Efficient, With Most Tests < 5 Minutes; Math and Writing Can Be Group Administered—Little Loss of Instructional Time
- All Basic Skills Can Be Assessed
- Inexpensive, Typically Less Than \$10 Per Student Per Year
- Easily Understood (and Reasonably AUTHENTIC) By Teachers, Administrators, Parents, and Students
- It Can Be Used to Build a SEAMLESS Data System K-12, General Education AND Special Education
- But Most Importantly, CBM Has Been Validated for Progress Monitoring and Screening in RTI2 and Special Education Decision Making

## USE SCREENING TESTS THAT MEET PROFESSIONAL NORMS



## USE PROGRESS MONITORING TESTS THAT MEET PROFESSIONAL NORMS



## OSEP REVIEW SAMPLE RESULTS

MEASURE	SCREENING	PROGRESS MONITORING
	Just About ANY Achievement Test	Members of the CBM "Family" or STAR
STAR	Yes	Yes
MEMBERS OF THE CBM FAMILY (AIMSWEB, DIBELS, FAST)	Yes	Yes
MAP	Yes	Not Listed
GRADE	Yes	Not Listed
ITBS	Yes	Not Listed
F-P BENCHMARK	Not Listed	Not Listed

**SEAMLESS**

## ELEMENTARY SCREENING RECOMMENDATIONS

### KINDERGARTEN

### GRADES 1-5 (6)

Benchmark ALL Students (3x) For Universal Screening AND Universal Progress Monitoring

Benchmark ALL Students

KEY MEASURES: LETTER NAMES (FALL) FOR SCREENING  
LETTER SOUNDS FOR SUBSEQUENT SCREENING AND PROGRESS MONITORING

TO IDENTIFY CANDIDATES FOR EARLY INTERVENTION TO ENSURE ALL STUDENTS ARE DEVELOPING

Use End of K Benchmark for Grade 1 Screening and Intervention Planning

Use End of Year Benchmark for Next Grade Screening and Intervention Planning

# MIDDLE SCHOOL SCREENING RECOMMENDATION

GRADE 6

GRADE 7

GRADE 8

Benchmark ALL Students (3x) For Universal Screening AND Universal Progress Monitoring

Use End of Grade 7 Universal Screening to Do Grade 8 Universal Screening and Intervention Planning

Multiple Gating Starting with Mid to End of Grade 8 Using Existing Achievement Tests Like ACT Explore Do Grade 9 Universal Screening and Intervention Planning

Use End of Grade 6 Benchmark to Do Grade 7 Universal Screening and Intervention Planning

# HIGH SCHOOL SCREENING RECOMMENDATION

GRADE 9

GRADE 10

GRADE 11

GRADE 12

Multiple Gating Starting with Grade 8 Using Existing Achievement Tests Like ACT Explore

Individual Skills Screening with Move-In Students and/or Who Are Performing Poorly in Content Area Classes

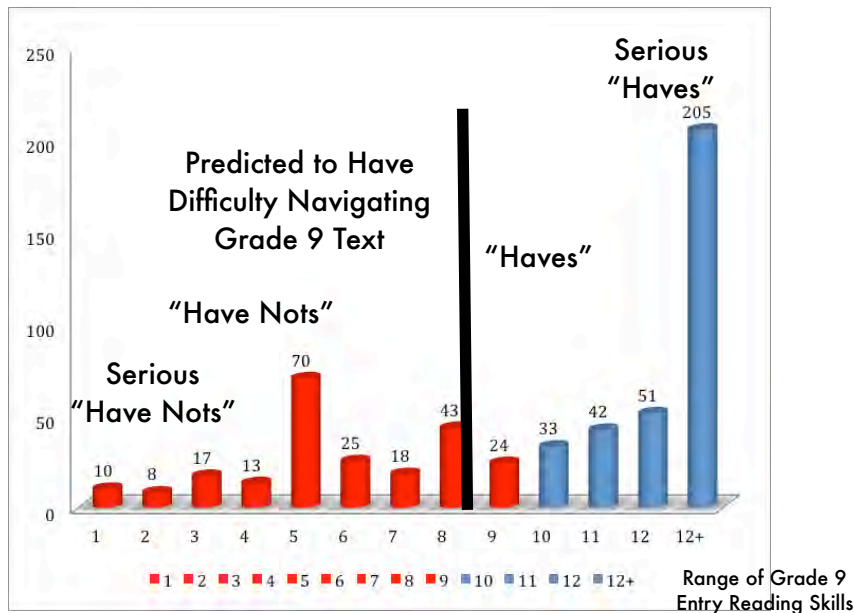
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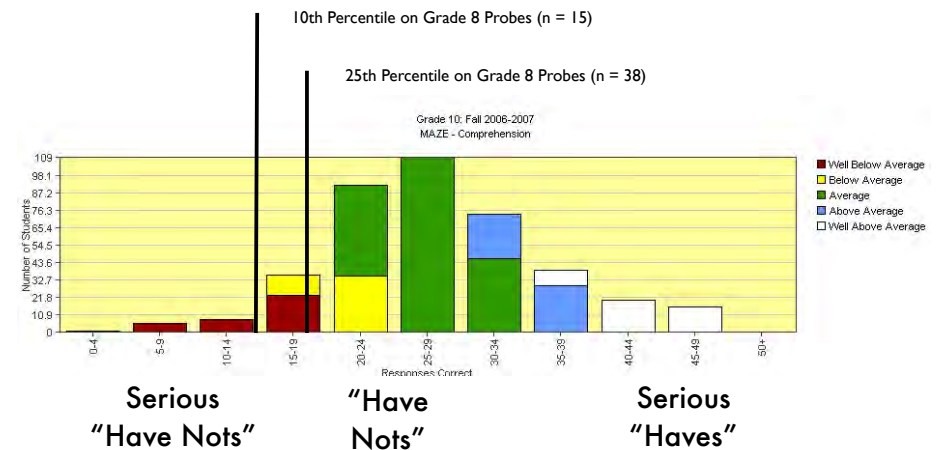
Follow Up Identified Students with Individual Skills Screening with CBM

Do Individual Skills Screening with Move-In Students and/or Who Are Performing Poorly in Content Area Classes

## TAKE INVENTORY TO JUDGE NEEDS



## POTENTIAL READING NEEDS AT A HIGH-PERFORMING HIGH SCHOOL GRADE 10



## LESSONS LEARNED

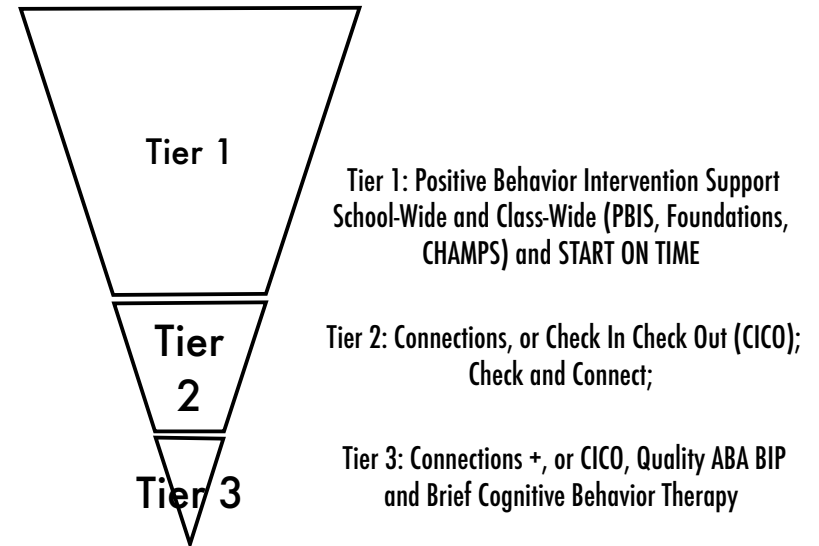
Increase the Quality of Learning  
Climate Through School and  
Classroom Behavior Support

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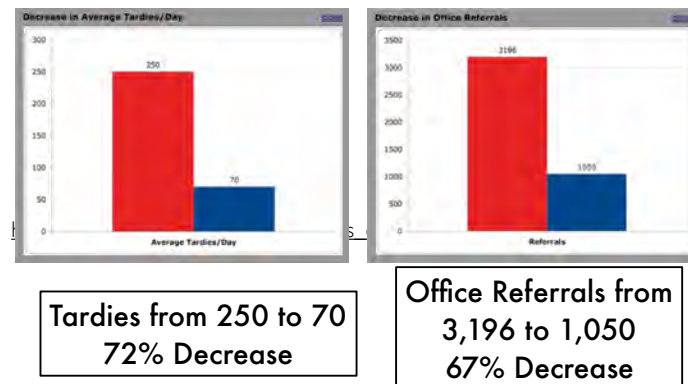
## IMAGINE THIS SCHOOL

- A Middle School of **1500** Students (90% FRL)
- **250** Tardies per Day
- **3200** Per Year
- @ 15 min per Office Referral, Estimated **800 of Personnel Time Used**

## PROACTIVELY PLANNED TIERED BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS



## MTSS/RTI CAN PROVIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT



**Increase of  
32,000  
Instructional  
Minutes  
Gained**

# ALTERNATIVES TO SUSPENSION

# INVEST IN HIGH QUALITY SYSTEMS



Skiba, R., & Sprague, J. (2008). Safety without suspensions. *Educational Leadership*(September), 38-43.

Sprague, J. R., & Walker, H. M. (2010). Building safe and healthy schools to promote school success: Critical issues, current challenges, and promising approaches. In M. R. Shinn & H. M. Walker (Eds.), *Interventions for achievement and behavior problems in a three-tier model, including RTI* (pp. 225-258). Bethesda, MD: National Association of School Psychologists.

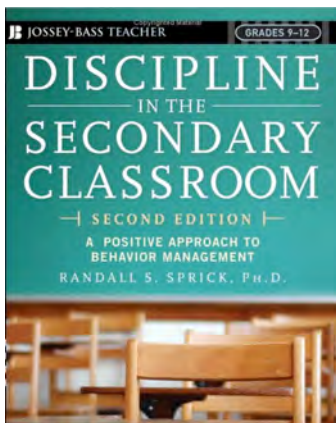


Sprick, R.S., Boohar, M., & Rich, P. (2011). *Foundations*. Pacific Northwest Publishing, Eugene, OR

Module A: Foundations of Behavior Support—A Continuous Improvement Process  
Module B: Managing Behavior in Common Areas and With Schoolwide Policies  
Module C: Conscious Construction of an Inviting School Climate  
Module D: Responding to Misbehavior—An Instructional Approach  
Module E: Improving Safety, Managing Conflict, and Reducing Bullying  
Module F: Establishing and Sustaining a Continuum of Behavior Support

# BUY THIS BOOK, TRAIN ON THE BOOK

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT RESOURCES



Sprick, R. S. (2006). *Discipline in the secondary classroom* (2nd ed.). San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass.

Randy Sprick, Ph.D.  
Safe and Civil Schools:  
[www.safeandcivilschools.com](http://www.safeandcivilschools.com)

National Technical Assistance Center  
on  
Positive Behavioral Interventions and  
Supports (PBIS): [www.pbis.org](http://www.pbis.org)

Rob March, Ph.D.  
Effective Educational Practices  
<http://www.successfuleducationalpractices.org>

Jeff Sprague, Ph.D.  
Institute on Violence and  
Destructive Behavior: <http://pages.uoregon.edu/ivdb/>

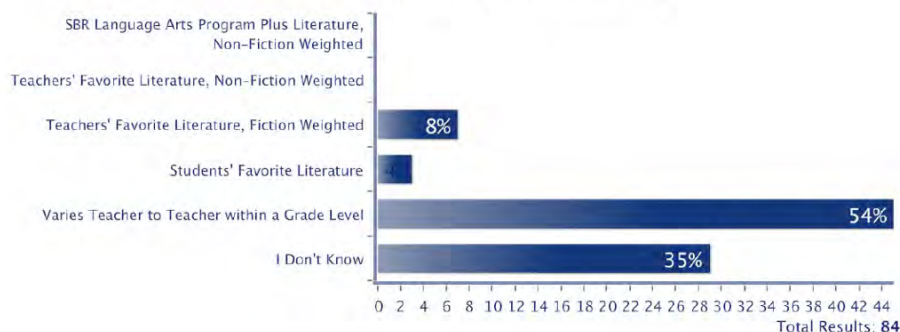
Consider Creating a “Merit Badge” for “Certified” CHAMPS Teachers



## TYPICAL SECONDARY LANGUAGE ARTS CURRICULUM

	Program and Focus	Amount of Time	Points of Vulnerability
General Education Tier 1	Novel Study	Single Period	Teacher to Teacher Variability, Often Little Explicit Instruction About How to Navigate and Comprehend Narrative and Content Area Texts; Writing Instruction is Idiosyncratic
Tier 2	Non-Existent or Separate, But Less Difficult Version of the Core		Former Puts Pressure on Special Education to Assume Responsibility; Later Fails to Deliver Skills Students Need to Reduce the Gap and Be Successful in ALL Content Classes
Tier 3	Really Only Special Education as an Option and Too Often, Only Computer-Driven or "Bandaids" Programs—or Help With Homework	Single Period, Supplanted Instruction	<i>Doesn't Reduce the Gap and Doesn't Support Success in ALL Content Classes!</i>

## HOW DO YOU COMPARE?



## STRENGTHEN YOUR LA CURRICULUM

- ☑ Use a Common, Scientifically Based Core Language Arts Program (At Least Through Grade 9) At Least 80-90 Minutes Per Day (Double Periods or Long Blocks)
- ☑ Select Your S-B Common LA Program with Features of Intensity and Explicitness By Needs of Students
- ☑ Ensure You Have Sufficient Time to Impact Tier 1 and Deliver Tiers 2 and 3 WITHIN the Period/Block
- ☑ Embed the Content Literacy Continuum (CLC) Strategies in All Content Classes

## BUILD 6-9 ON A FOUNDATION OF A STRONG COMMERCIAL PROGRAM

	Program and Focus	Amount of Time
<b>General Education Tier 1</b>	<i>SBR Core Program (e.g., Prentice Hall Literature), + Core Novels + Outside Reading</i>	<b>Double Period or Block Every Day</b>
<b>Tier 2</b>	<i>Prentice Hall Literature, Plus More Explicit and Targeted Intervention + (Reader's Companion+ Rewards) + Structured Outside Wide Reading</i>	<b>Tier 2 Delivered Within the Double Period/Block</b>
<b>Tier 3</b>	<i>Prentice Hall Literature, + Explicit and Comprehensive Intervention (e.g., REACH) + Structured Outside Wide Reading</i>	<b>3 Periods</b>

## THOUGHTS FROM KEVIN FELDMAN



"Prentice Hall - this one is my favorite - solid blend of fiction/non-fiction, academic vocabulary, writing, etc.

Holt - <http://hlla.hrw.com/hlla/> Many in CA have used this and report good things...

Houghton-Mifflin [http://www.eduplace.com/rdg/hme/6\\_8/](http://www.eduplace.com/rdg/hme/6_8/)

The key to me, is not so much which program (choose one that has substantial non-fiction - it is "language arts" NOT "literature arts", solid writing/grammar, robust vocabulary, and clear accommodations for ELs and SpecEd students) -but

how you support it... and how literacy is developed across the other academic disciplines within the school..."

You can reach Kevin @ [kfeldman@scoe.org](mailto:kfeldman@scoe.org); or view his blog and resources [www.scoe.org/reading](http://www.scoe.org/reading)

## MARK'S (BIASED) APPROACH

	Program and Focus	Amount of Time
<b>General Education Tier 1</b>	Strong, Teacher-Led, Comprehensive Language Arts Program with Explicit Instruction in Comprehending Narrative and Content Textbooks (i.e., Read to Achieve) + Novel Study Strongly Biased Toward Non-Fiction	Double Period or Block Every Day
<b>Tier 2</b>	Read to Achieve, Plus More Explicit and Targeted Intervention + (e.g., Rewards) + Structured Outside Wide Reading	Tier 2 Delivered Within the Double Period/Block
<b>Tier 3</b>	Read to Achieve + Explicit and Comprehensive Intervention (e.g., REACH or Corrective Reading) + Structured Outside Wide Reading	<b>3 Periods</b>



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## THE PROBLEM OF FRAGMENTATION AND STUDENT LEARNING STRATEGIES

- One of the greatest barriers to student growth and achievement in secondary schools (especially high schools) is the issue of fragmentation...
- students have multiple teachers throughout each day, and these teachers rarely, if ever, coordinate what or how they teach students...
- secondary students who struggle with learning do not get the necessary reinforcement of critical skills, strategies, and subject-area information.
- ...the often disjointed, uncoordinated educational programs that secondary students experience rarely lead to the type of instructional synergy that is required for students to make dramatic achievement gains.

Schumaker, J. B., & Deshler, D.D. (2010). Using a tiered intervention model in secondary schools to improve academic outcomes in subject-area courses. In Shinn, M. R. & H. M. Walker (Eds.), *Interventions for Achievement and Behavior in a 3-tier model including RTI*. Bethesda, MD: National Association of School Psychologists.

## SUPPORTING CONTENT LITERACY—AND ALL CONTENT LEARNING

Consistent R-B Vocabulary Strategies  
Consistent R-B Comprehension Strategies Common  
Consistent R-B Writing Structures and Scaffolds  
Consistent Note Taking Strategies  
Consistent Syllabi and Aligned Websites to Support  
Study and Organizational Skills  
Consistent (and Better) Grading Systems  
Teaching From a Big Ideas Focus  
Strategies to Increase Engagement

## START HERE

**Strategic Instruction Model**

**Content Enhancement Series**

**What is a Content Enhancement Teaching Routine?**

Content Enhancement Routines are used by teachers to teach curriculum content to academically diverse classes in ways that all students can understand and remember key information. Content Enhancement is an instructional method that relies on using powerful teaching devices to organize and present curriculum content in an understandable and easy-to-learn manner. Teachers identify content that they deem to be most critical and teach it using a powerfully designed teaching routine that actively engages students with the content.

Learn more! Click on the name of a routine in the list below to learn more about that routine.

- Teaching routines for planning & leading learning
  - Course Organizer Routine
  - Unit Organizer Routine
  - Lesson Organizer Routine
- Teaching routines for explaining text, topics, & details
  - Questioning Routine
  - Forming Routine
  - Summarizing Routine
  - Vocabulary/Learning Routine
- Teaching routines for teaching concepts
  - Concept Mastery Routine
  - Concept Annotation Routine
  - Concept Comparison Routine
- Teaching routines for increasing student performance
  - Recall Enhancement Routine
  - Question Enhancement Routine
  - Quality Assessment Routine

<http://www.ku-crl.org/>

# THE BEST "SINGLE" METHOD

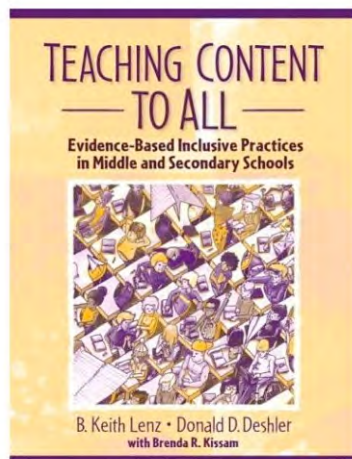


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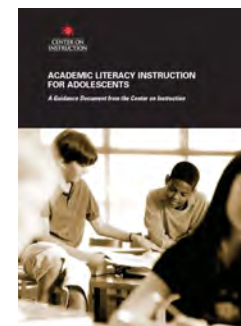
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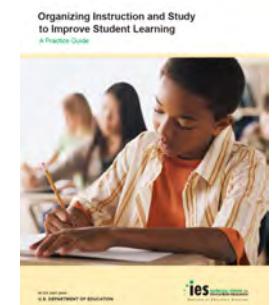
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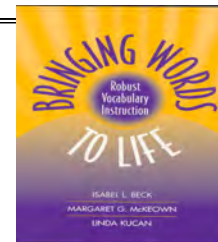
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1. Provide explicit vocabulary instruction.	Strong
2. Provide direct and explicit comprehension strategy instruction.	Strong
3. Provide opportunities for extended discussion of text meaning and interpretation.	Moderate
4. Increase student motivation and engagement in literacy learning.	Moderate
5. Make available intensive and individualized interventions for struggling readers that can be provided by trained specialists.	Strong

Provide Explicit Vocabulary Instruction: Strong

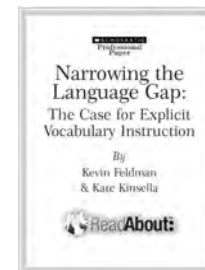
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# ENSURE ATTENTION IS PAID TO EXPLICITLY TEACHING VOCABULARY



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What does and doesn't work to teach vocabulary

# KNOWING WHAT ARE THE "RIGHT WORDS"

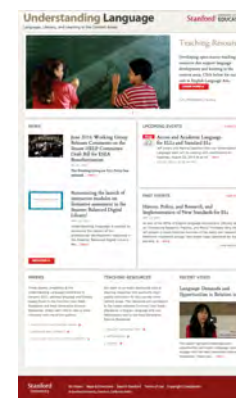


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The **Word Generation** program (<http://wg.serpmedia.org/>) focuses on academic vocabulary, i.e., words that students are likely to encounter in textbooks and on tests, but not in spoken language. Interpret, prohibit, vary, function, and hypothesis are examples.

# More Vocabulary and Language



Our team is currently developing sets of teaching resources that exemplify high-quality instruction for ELLs across three content areas. The resources will correspond to the widely-adopted Common Core State Standards in English Language Arts and Mathematics and to the Next Generation Science Standards.



- The Academic Vocabulary List (AVL) itself (top 3,000 lemmas, which occur in all academic domains)
- The AVL words grouped into word families (similar to Coxhead's AVL, but with much more information)
- Top 20,000 words (lemmas) in COCA-Academic, including AVL words, domain-specific words, and "genre-neutral" words

[www.academicvocabulary.info](http://www.academicvocabulary.info)

[ell.stanford.edu](http://ell.stanford.edu)

# ENSURE TEACHERS KNOW AND EXPECT STUDENTS TO USE A COMMON COMPREHENSION STRATEGY



# EXPAND TIER 1 LANGUAGE ARTS INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICES

- <http://www.fisherandfrey.com>
- <http://www.youtube.com/user/fisherandfrey>
- <http://explicitinstruction.org>

## A QUALITY SYLLABUS IS A SCAFFOLD FOR STUDY AND ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS

## CONSIST SYLLABUS TO SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS

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English 2R

**I. Course Description**  
English 2R involves close reading of literature, intensive writing and revising, critical thinking and listening skills, and the discussion of literature in class. We will read several novels, plays, short stories, and poems with a focus on the theme of the individual in conflict with his or her culture and society.

**II. Course Objectives**  
Upon completion of this course it is expected that students will be able to do the following:

- Make connections between literature and their own experiences
- Create a strong thesis that gives direction to an essay
- Organize a persuasive argument
- Edit and revise drafts
- Give critical feedback to their peers
- Compare and contrast different pieces of literature
- Conduct internet and library research
- Evaluate websites for relevance and reliability

These objectives will be realized through the following means:

- Homework assignments
- Onsite in-class evaluations
- One-on-one writing assistance
- Exercises on mechanics and style
- Research and creative projects

**III. Course Policies**

**A. Materials:** Students are responsible for having a three-ring binder in class every day. All handouts will be three-hole punched so they can be kept in three binders. Binders and folders will be occasionally checked and graded for organization and content. Students are also required to bring a blue or black pen or pencil and the relevant reading materials to class every day.

**B. Make Work:** One point will be subtracted each day a homework assignment is late. Ten percent will be subtracted from other late assignments. When a draft or final is submitted, all previous drafts must accompany it. If a first draft is not turned in with the second draft, the second draft will still be accepted, but it will be treated as a first draft, and the second draft will receive a new due date.

**C. Plagiarism:** Plagiarism will be explained and discussed early in the first quarter. Plagiarized work will receive 0 points. The student's guidance counselor and parents will be notified, along with the head of the English department.

**D. Behavior:** Behavior that distracts from the goals of the class negatively affects all in the classroom. If a problem persists, it will result in a conference with parents or guardians.

**E. Absences:** Your attendance, both physical and mental, is an integral component of this course.

a) Students are responsible for work missed due to all absences from class. Students must find out what work was missed. This is not the responsibility of the teacher.

Happy Days High School  
Introduction to Literature and Writing (ILW)  
2008 - 2009 School Year  
Mr. Fonzi

Welcome to Happy Days High School

Introduction to Literature and Writing, affectionately known as ILW, will give you the opportunity to read, write about, and analyze literature. You will also have the opportunity to improve your grammar and vocabulary.

What are the goals? The main goal is to prepare you for the next level of ILW which, if all goes well, will be sophomore English. The sophomore English teachers are counting on you to be able to:

- Be familiar with chapters #1 - 10 in the vocabulary book, *The Word Within the Word*.
- Be able to know, understand, and write MLA-con paragraph.
- Be exposed to and apply all the grammar indicated in the ACT standards for transitions up through 20 (or quadrant 4).
- Be exposed to and apply all reading skills indicated standards for transitions.
- Know how to create a PowerPoint™ presentation.
- Know how to navigate (on a basic level) research tools on the web and using library 214 electronic resources and databases.
- Be familiar with MLA format for citations for research.
- Be familiar with literary terms for basic analysis of literature.
- Be familiar with the 5-paragraph essay.
- Be able to write a thesis statement.

To achieve these goals, we will be focusing on the following areas:

**LITERATURE**

Our literature unit includes short stories, novels, and Shakespeare. During each of these units we will focus on not just the content of what we are reading, but skills that will enable you to understand and, dare I say, making. You should be prepared to annotate and keep a variety of journals as you read.

It's important to note that there will be extensive reading and analytical writing in this class. It is imperative that you complete all assignments on time. You will be penalized for late work.

Besides reading the literature, I will try to augment the material we read with movies made from the literature or about the time in which the literature was written. As is the case with the literature, you will be expected to write responses to the movie, if possible, guest speakers and field trips will be included in the course curriculum.

### 1. Contact Information

Helps students, family/guardians, and other academic professional (including the school psychologist) get a hold of you.

### 2. Course Description

Helps build preview to course...like building background info.

### 3. Course Goals and Big Ideas

Also, helps to preview course and illuminate the student of possible future events, topics, etc...

### 4. Instructions and Directions as to *How to get help.* (See #10 also)

Might include a school resource room, website, other teachers, a file drawer in the classroom, etc...Detailed directions.

# WHAT COMPONENTS IN A SYLLABUS AID DIVERSE LEARNERS...AND WHY? (CONTINUED)

## 7. Detailed information about the grading system

Helps students understand teacher expectations and gives students a solid understanding of passing and failing.

## 8. Course Calendar and Due Dates

Builds structure and organization...also helps other professionals in the building.

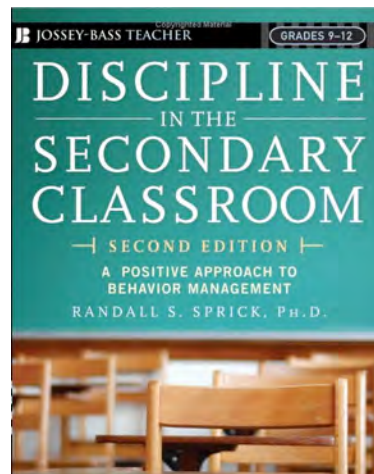
## 9. Self-Monitoring Checklist

Helps students understand where they need help also helps the teacher understand...Build organization/Routine...aids in self advocacy

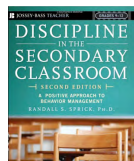
## 10. Access to Models for Papers, Projects, Test

Might include a school resource room, website, other teachers, a file drawer in the classroom, etc...

# CONSISTENT (AND BETTER) GRADING SYSTEM



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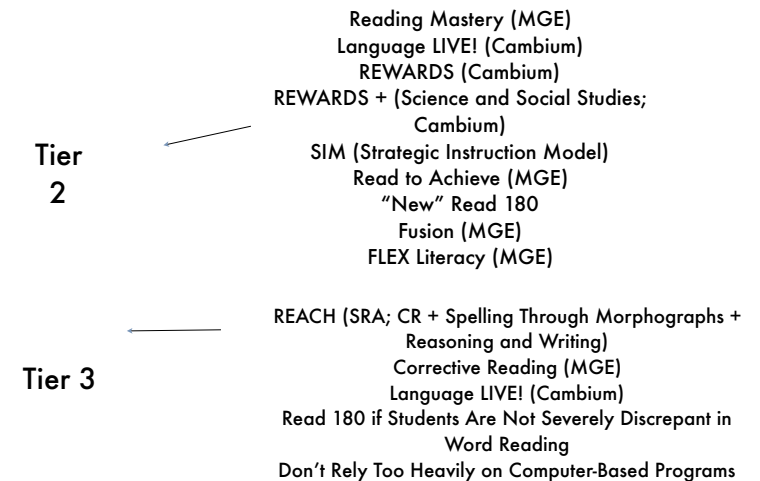


## SELECT POWERFUL PROGRAMS ALIGNED TO THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS-NOT THE PREFERENCES OF ADULTS

The Greater the Achievement Discrepancy, the More Instruction Must Include

- Time—Typically Supplemental (Tier 2) and Sometimes Supplanted (Tier 3)
- (More) Explicit Teacher-Led Instruction
- (More) Language Support, Especially Vocabulary
- (More) Scaffolded Instruction
- (More) Opportunities to Respond with Corrective Feedback
- (More) Intensive Motivational Strategies
- (More) Frequent Progress Monitoring

## Examples of Powerful School Reading Intervention PROGRAMS



## Mark's Biased School Mathematics Interventions

	Connecting Math Concepts (CMC; SRA) as Tier 1 or Tier 2
<b>Tier 2</b>	Essentials for Algebra (MGE) as a Middle School Tier 1 and Tier 2 and HS Tier 2 or 3
	VMath (Cambium) at Tier 2 or 3
	Transitional Math (Cambium) at Tier 2
<b>Tier 3</b>	Corrective Math (MGE) at Tiers 2 and Especially 3



## 3-YEAR RE-EVALUATIONS AND ANNUAL REVIEWS

The present levels of academic achievement and related developmental needs of the child;

Whether the child needs special education and related services; or, in the case of a reevaluation of a child, whether the child continues to need special education and related services;

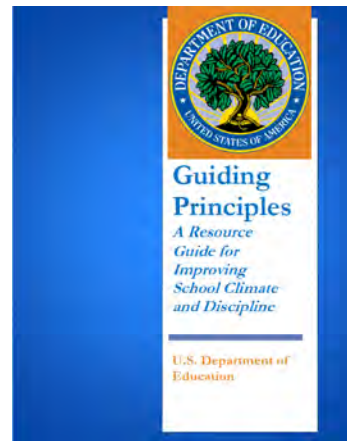
### Key Questions

1. Is the Special Education Program Delivered as Intended?
2. Is the Special Education Program **BENEFITING** the Student?
3. Does the Student Still **NEED** Special Education?
4. Less Important—"whether the child continues to have such a disability,"

## MUCH TO OFFER SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS?

Collaborate with Assistant Principal, Deans, to Form the Basis for Improving School Climate, School Safety, Mental Health

Deliver and Staff Tier 2 & Tier 3 Behavior Support (e.g., Connections, Check in Check Out)



## MUCH TO OFFER SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS?

Significantly **Less Testing**, Especially (Poorly Conducted) **3-Year Re-Evaluations**

Little **Testing for Accommodations** for Post Secondary Concerns

**More Emphasis on Mental Health Services**, Especially Anxiety, Depression through Brief Cognitive Behavior Therapy

