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Lifting Legacies

Elevating Instruction for Every Elementary Learner

2026-2027 Goal

ELEMENTARY

Teachers will implement student-centered instruction that promotes ownership, **productive struggle**, and **deep thinking** by **strengthening questioning strategies** and minimizing teacher-directed procedures. Success will be evident through increased student discourse, **independent problem-solving**, and students' ability to explain and justify their thinking.

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English Language Arts Must Do's

01 Whole Group

- Interactive Anchor Charts
- Define/Example/Ask Routine (Vocabulary)
- Fluency Lessons
- Decodable Readers & Passages
- DOK Questioning from Manual
- Writing Daily
- #11 -Writing in Response to Reading

02 Small Group

- Daily, targeted instruction
- Teacher-table time for all students
- Decodable Readers and Passages
- Leveled Readers
- Opportunities for students to collaborate and discuss
- Differentiated independent work in response to formative assessment data

03 NJDOE Mandates

- Cursive Handwriting-Grades 3-5 (10 minutes maximum daily/incorporated into reading and writing instruction) Wonders materials and direct instruction
- Universal Screener-DIBELS-Results sent to NJDOE 3x a year
- Kindergarten Entry Assessment
- New Jersey Student Learning Standards

04 Writing Tasks

- Follow updated Scope and Sequence curriculum documents.
- Implement Wonders lessons and materials (green sections)
- Score with Wonders Rubrics
- Include in student portfolios

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Math FOCUS

01 Math Talk

- Integrate collaborative discussions
  - Think-Pair Share
  - Turn and Talk
  - Partner Work - Separately/Together
- Deepen Student Discourse - Explain, Question, Model, Critique, Justify
- 3-Act Math

02 Hands-on Math

- Constant Access to Learning Tools
  - Teach how to use learning tools
  - Allow students to self select tools
  - Scaffold use of tools (i.e. multiplication tables, fraction strips/bars

03 Lesson Structure

- Adhere to EnVision Lesson Format
  - Concise Instruction
  - Maximize Independent Practice
  - Maximize Teacher Table Time
  - Differentiate Learning Pathways

04 Adaptive Learning Supplements

- **Digital Tools:**
  - Fact Fluency - MathFactLab
  - Conceptual Foundations - Frax
  - AI-Powered Mathematical Discourse - Snorkl

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Social Studies

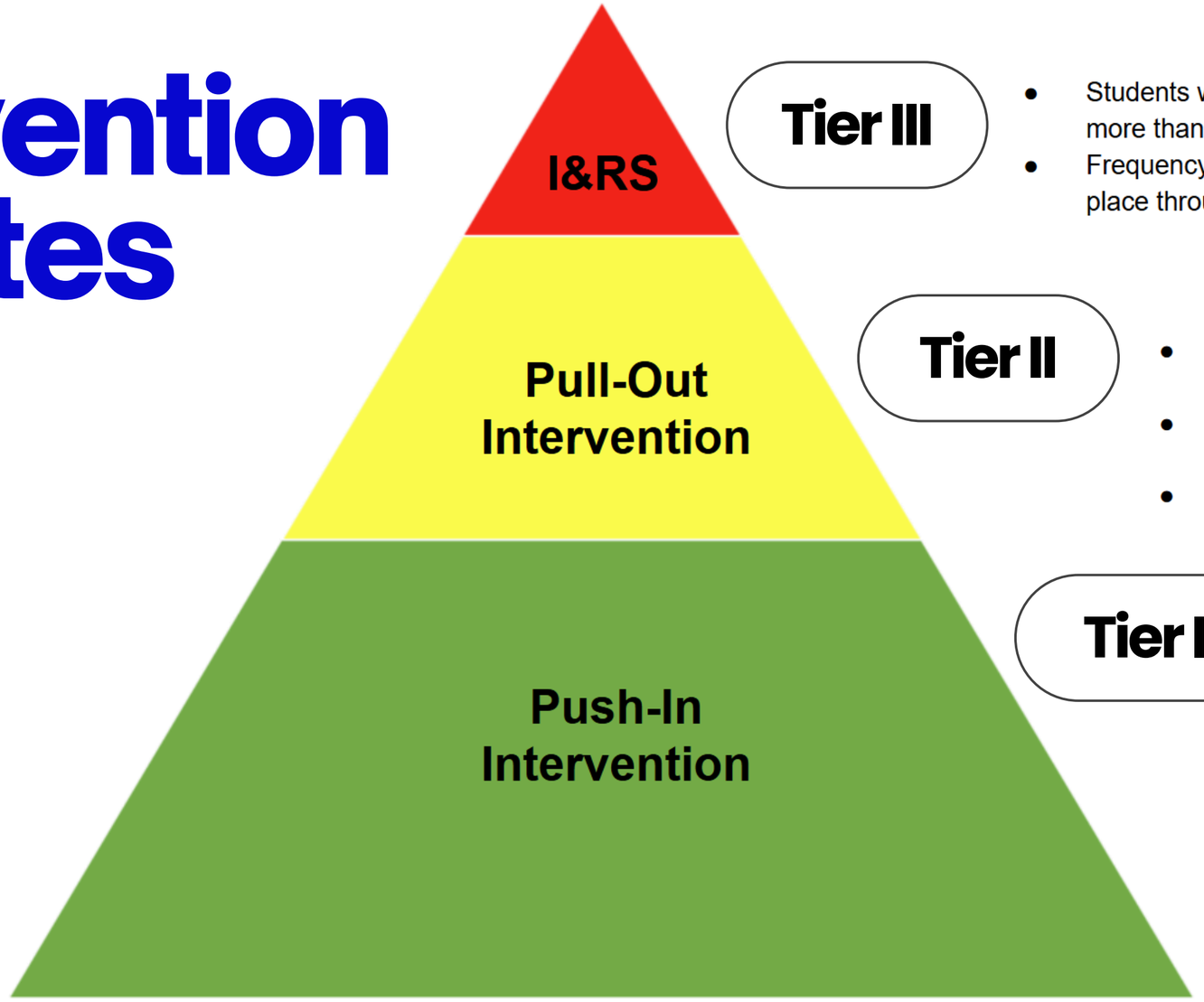
Curriculum Transition

Instructional Priorities

- **Higher Depth of Knowledge (DOK)**
  - Inquiry-based primary source analysis
- **Student Discourse**
  - Structured debate and collaborative talk
- **Interdisciplinary Literacy**
  - Direct integration with ELA standards

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Math Intervention Updates



Tier III

- Students with identified skill gaps more than one grade level below
- Frequency and learning plan put in place through I&RS process

Tier II

- Students identified with skill gaps on Diagnostic Assessment
- 2x per week pull out instruction to focus on closing identified skill gaps
- Progress is monitored and students end pull-out instruction once gaps are filled.

Tier I

- Students identified for intervention that don't have skill gaps relevant to current grade level learning OR have successfully completed tier 2 instruction.
- Students receive 2x per week push-in support.
- Tier 1 support focuses on supporting core curriculum.

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Portfolios

Purpose:

- **Collect** (qualitative) student data beyond online assessments.
- **Curate** work samples to show student growth.
- **Showcase** strengths and weaknesses during parent conferences.
- **Document** areas of concern

Use:

- Data Meetings
- Parent Conferences

What to Include:

- DIBELS Scores & Scoresheets
- Wonders Writing Samples
- EnVision Readiness and Cumulative Assessments
- Work Samples

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High Expectations



- Maximize Instructional Time
- **Expect Students to Dig Deep**
- Foster Independence

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School Performance Report Data

Elementary School Summative Ratings from the 2024-2025 School Performance Reports

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Summative Ratings

2024–2025 Academic Performance Overview

School	Summative Rating (Statewide Percentile Rank)
Wayside	94.15
Wanamassa	85.10
OTES	74.97
AVERAGE	**84.74**

** Note: In the NJDOE accountability framework, a Summative Rating represents a statewide percentile rank (1–99), not an exam pass rate.*

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What is a Summative Rating?

Components

- **Academic Growth (40%):** *Grade 4 Student Growth Percentiles (SGP)*
- **Academic Achievement (30%):** *Grades 3–4 NJSLA Proficiency (ELA & Math)*
- **English Language Proficiency (20%):** *ACCESS Progress for Multilingual Learners*
- **Chronic Absenteeism (10%):** *Students missing under 10% of school days*

Scoring

- **Summative Score:** *Weighted raw performance across all indicators*
- **Summative Rating:** *Statewide percentile rank (1–99)*

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Demographic Peer Group Rankings

Statewide academic performance ranking within F/R Lunch demographic peer bands

School	F/R Lunch Band	Peer Comparison Pool	Rank	Performance Tier
Wayside	30% – 40% F/R Lunch	221 Schools	#6	Top 3%
Wanamassa	10% – 20% F/R Lunch	320 Schools	#79	Top 25%
OTES	50% – 60% F/R Lunch	186 Schools	#18	Top 10%

** Note: Rankings evaluate schools against state peers within identical socio-economic percentage bands.*

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Demographic & ML Peer Group Rankings

Statewide academic performance ranking within F/R Lunch & Multilingual Learner peer bands

School	F/R Lunch Band	ML Band	Peer Comparison Pool	Rank	Performance Tier
Wayside	> 30%	> 10%	596 Schools	**#3**	**Top 0.5%**
OTES	> 50%	> 15%	416 Schools	**#24**	**Top 6%**

** Note: Rankings evaluate schools against state peers matching both socio-economic and Multilingual Learner criteria.*

** Note: Wanamassa's ML student population falls below the state threshold for this dual-band demographic group.*

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Monmouth County Elementary Schools

Wayside - 8 out of 86

Wanamassa - 22 out of 86

OTES - 31 out of 86

link to full list

Rank	District	School	Summative Rating	School Demographics		
				F/R %	IEP %	ML %
1	Manalapan-Englishtown Regional School District	Lafayette Mills School	**98.61**	11.9	13.3	2.5
2	Manalapan-Englishtown Regional School District	Wemrock Brook School	**98.25**	14.6	17.7	4.1
3	Spring Lake Borough	H W Mountz Elementary School	**96.32**	3.8	17.4	0
4	Avon Boro School District	Avon Elementary School	**96.14**	13.4	22.3	2.7
5	Manalapan-Englishtown Regional School District	Clark Mills School	**95.84**	10.5	10.3	3.6
6	Manalapan-Englishtown Regional School District	Milford Brook School	**95.3**	14.2	18.4	3.8
7	Middletown Township Public School District	Fairview Elementary School	**94.45**	13.9	26.1	3.7
8	Township of Ocean School District	Wayside Elementary School	**94.15**	33.9	21.9	14.3
9	Marlboro Township School District	Frank Defino Central Elementary School	**93.55**	14.1	18.8	7.6
10	Manalapan-Englishtown Regional School District	Taylor Mills School	**93.31**	19.8	14.5	3.8
11	Holmdel Township School District	Indian Hill School	**92.46**	3.9	15.1	1.8
12	Monmouth Beach School District	Monmouth Beach Elementary School	**92.4**	0	13.3	0
13	Middletown Township Public School District	River Plaza Elementary School	**92.34**	4.9	21.8	0.4
14	Middletown Township Public School District	Nut Swamp Elementary School	**92.22**	1.7	11.4	0
15	Rumson Borough School District	Forrestdale School	**91.74**	0	12.3	0
16	Marlboro Township School District	Asher Holmes Elementary School	**90.83**	13.1	17.7	7.3
17	Middletown Township Public School District	Lincroft Elementary School	**90.11**	2.2	20	0.2
18	Millstone Township School District	Millstone Township Elementary School	**89.32**	0	0	0
19	Little Silver Boro School District	Point Road School	**88.84**	0	13	0
20	Colts Neck Township School District	Conover Road Elementary School	**86.97**	4.3	18.9	0.6
21	Wall Township Public School District	Allenwood Elementary School	**86.55**	7.1	20.7	1
22	Township of Ocean School District	Wanamassa Elementary School	**85.1**	16.4	13.9	10
23	Marlboro Township School District	Robertsville Elementary School	**84.8**	14.4	15.1	7.8
24	Sea Girt Borough School District	Sea Girt Elementary School	**83.35**	0	10.8	0
25	Red Bank Charter School	Red Bank Charter School	**80.52**	56.3	12.6	14.8
26	Freehold Township School District	Laura Donovan School	**80.46**	20.8	13.1	9.3
27	Freehold Township School District	Joseph J Catena School	**80.22**	14.8	21	0.2
28	Middletown Township Public School District	Navesink Elementary School	**79.31**	10.5	15.7	0.5
29	Brielle Boro School District	Brielle Elementary School	**78.11**	0	0	0
30	Oceanport School District	Wolf Hill School	**77.62**	7	22.2	2
31	Township of Ocean School District	Ocean Township Elementary School	**74.97**	50.9	28.5	19
32	Howell Township Public School District	Greenville Elementary School	**74.07**	0	0	0
33	Fair Haven School District	Knollwood School	**73.88**	0	0	0
34	Spring Lake Heights School District	Spring Lake Heights Elementary School	**73.76**	28.9	11.7	24.3
35	Manasquan School District	Manasquan Elementary School	**72.07**	1.2	16.2	0

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Elementary School Performance Summary

Annual Summative Ratings & 4-Year Averages (2021/22 - 2024/25)

School Year	Wayside	Wanamassa	OTES	Elementary AVG.
21/22	83.69%	67.54%	75.27%	**75.50%**
22/23	71.27%	92.62%	84.46%	**82.78%**
23/24	56.30%	66.00%	78.50%	**66.93%**
24/25	94.15%	85.10%	74.97%	**84.74%**
4-YEAR AVERAGE	**76.35%**	**77.82%**	**78.30%**	**77.49%**

** Note: Figures represent annual statewide percentile ranks (1–99) within the NJDOE accountability framework.*

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KEYS to success

1. We're always trying to do better. It's what we do.

2. We succeed as a team. Success is a collective effort.