The Okeechobee County School District



K-12 Comprehensive Reading Plan 2020-21

2020-2021 District K-12 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan Template

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Plan Information

How is the district communicating the contents of its Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan to all stakeholders?

The K12 Comprehensive Reading Plan will be communicated by:

- Presented to the Okeechobee County School Board (July 2020)
- Posted on the District Website http://www.okee.k12.fl.us/
- Presented to the District Advisory Council (August 2020)
- Reviewed with District administrators and instructional coaches(July 2020)
- Posted in the District ELA Teacher Toolkit

Monitoring of District K-12 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan Implementation as required by 6A-6.053(1)(a) F.A.C. District-Level Leadership 6A-6.053(7) F.A.C.

K-5

Component of Reading	What data is being collected?	Assessment type (e.g., screener, diagnostic, progress monitoring/formative, summative)	How is the data being collected?	How often is the data being collected?
Oral language	K-1: Letter names, letter sounds, sight words, phoneme segmentation 2-3: Word reading fluency, passage reading fluency, comprehension 4-5: Passage reading fluency, comprehension	easyCBM, iReady Diagnostic	Teacher observed/assessed, Computer-based assessment	easyCBM Twice each quarter iReady Diagnostic: Three times a yearfall, winter, & spring
Phonological awareness	K-1: Rhyme recognition, phoneme identity and isolations, phoneme blending and segmentation, phoneme addition and substitution, phoneme deletion.	iReady Diagnostic	Computer-based assessment	iReady Diagnostic: Three times a year- fall, winter, & spring
Phonics	K-4: Letter recognition, consonant sounds, short and long vowels, decoding one and two-syllable words, inflectional endings; prefixes and suffixes, digraphs and diphthongs, vowel patterns, decoding longer words.	easyCBM, iReady Diagnostic	Teacher observed/assessed, Computer-based assessment	easyCBM Twice each quarter iReady Diagnostic: Three times a yearfall, winter, & spring
Fluency	2-3: Word reading fluency, passage reading fluency, comprehension 4-5: Passage reading fluency, comprehension	easyCBM	Teacher observed/assessed	easyCBM: Twice each quarter
Vocabulary	K-5: Academic and domain-specific vocabulary, word relationships, word learning strategies, use of reference materials, prefixes, suffixes, and word roots.	iReady Diagnostic	Computer-based assessment	iReady Diagnostic: Three times a year- fall, winter, & spring
Comprehension	K-5: Informational Text: author's purpose, categorize and classify, cause and effect, drawing conclusions/making inferences, fact and opinion, main idea and details,	easyCBM, iReady Diagnostic	Teacher observed/assessed, Computer-based assessment	easyCBM: Twice each quarter iReady Diagnostic: Three times a yearfall, winter, & spring

message, summarizing/retelling,	
text structure, determining word	
meaning, compare and contrast	
across different texts and media,	
analysis of close reading of a text,	
citing textual evidence.	
<u>Literary Text</u> : point of view and	
purpose, cause and effect, drawing	
conclusions/making inferences,	
figurative language, story elements,	
summarizing/retelling,	
theme/mood, analyzing character,	
compare and contrast across	
different texts and media.	

6-12

Progress Monitoring Tool	What data is being collected?	Assessment type (e.g., screener, diagnostic, progress monitoring/formative, summative)	How is the data being collected?	How often is the data being collected?
6-12: NWEA Map Growth	Comprehension and skills for identifying key ideas and details, language, craft, and structure of literary and informational texts; Vocabulary acquisition and use	Diagnostic	Computer-based assessment	NWEA Map Growth: Three times a year- fall, winter, spring
6-12: Exact Path	Comprehension strategies: predicting, questioning, constructing mental images representing text content, seeking clarification, responding to the text based on prior knowledge, summarizing, and interpreting	Progress monitoring	Computer-based assessment	Exact Path: Daily through individualized student activity
6-8: easyCBM	Passage reading fluency, comprehension	Progress monitoring	Teacher observed/assessed	In accordance with individualized MTSS plans

K-12 Data Analysis and Decision-making as required by 6A-6.053(1)(b) F.A.C.

K-12 Data 1	R-12 Data Analysis and Decision-making as required by 6A-6.055(1)(b) F.A.C. Data Analysis and Decision-making					
How often is the	What problem-solving	What steps is the district	How are concerns communicated if it is	Who at the district level is		
data being	steps are in place for	taking to see building and	determined that the K-12 Reading Plan is	responsible for providing plan		
reviewed and by	making decisions	classroom level data and to	not being implemented in an explicit	implementation oversight,		
whom?	based on the data?	share findings with	manner, based on data to meet the needs	support and follow-up?		
		individual schools?	of students?	,, ,		
Diagnostic data	1. Evaluation of	District level leadership hold	The Superintendent communicates	Dr. Pat McCoy, assistant		
(Tier 1) is reviewed	screening data:	data reviews with school	directly with school principals during	superintendent for instructional		
at the district and	a) Are we sufficiently	level administrators three	routine data chats. The assistant	services;		
school level three	delivering Tier 1	time a year- fall, winter,	superintendent of instructional services,	Britani Stanley, coordinator of		
times a year- fall,	instruction?	spring. Principals provide	the coordinator of assessment and	assessment and accountability;		
winter, and spring.	b) Is the Tier 1	leadership and commitment	accountability, school principals, and	Lonnie Steiert, director of		
Individual student	instruction supporting	to MTSS at all three tiers.	instructional coaches monitor the pacing	student services;		
progress	our students	Administrators lead	of instruction, implementation of	Heather Siler-Dobbs, director of		
monitoring (Tier 2)	equitably?	implementation, participate	assessments, and dissemination of	grants and special programs;		
data is reviewed bi-	c) Who needs Tier 2	on the SPS team (School	progress monitoring data. These leaders	Wendy Coker, director of		
weekly by grade or	and 3 support?	Problem Solving Team).	communicate with one another to ensure	exceptional student education;		
content level		Administrators also review	fidelity to the plan. Concerns about			
teams. Individual	2. Tier 2- 3:	universal screening data to	implementation may be addressed by the			
progress	a) Identify problem	ensure Tier 1 instruction is	Superintendent, or district level			
monitoring (Tier 3)	b) select evidenced	meeting the needs of a	administrators during bi-monthly district			
is monitored	based intervention	minimum of 80 to 85	leadership and principal meetings.			
weekly by the	c)plan intervention	percent of the school	Principals and coaches may address			
school-based	engagement time	population. Site	concerns at the school site during daily			
problem solving	d) deliver intervention	administrators monitor	interactions with teachers and weekly			
team.	e) monitor progress	integrity of instruction at	during grade level/department level			
		both the core and	team meetings.			
		intervention levels. PLCs				
		(department and/or grade-				
		level teams) serve a critical				
		role in problem solving at				
		Tiers 1 and 2. PLCs provide a				
		collaborative learning				
		environment to support				
		effective differentiated				
		instruction and classroom				
		management strategies at				
		all tiers. Progress monitoring				
		data is accessible to leaders				

and teachers through Performance Matters and	
Branching Minds.	

School Level Leadership 6A-6.053(8) F.A.C.

Practice	Who ensures that the practice is informed by a specific purpose?	How is the purpose communicated?	How often is the data being collected?	How is the data being shared and by whom?	How often is the data being reviewed and by whom?
Weekly reading walkthroughs by administrators	School leadership team meets to determine walk- through focus each week.	Principals communicate the walk-through focus in weekly bulletin.	Weekly	Observation data is collected in True North Logic and/or using the Instructional Practice Guide. Observation notes and feedback are presented to teachers within seven days.	Quarterly reviews of school observation data are conducted by the coordinator of assessment and accountability.
Data chats	School leadership teams	Data chat templates are provided for teachers to complete prior to data chat. Data from diagnostic assessment and progress monitoring is shared.	Three times each year	Data is shared from teachers to leadership and from leadership to teachers during data chats. Data is shared from teachers to parents four times a year through Academic Parent Teacher Teams (APTT) in grades K-5.	Data chat processes are reviewed three items a year by the school leadership team.
Reading Leadership Team per 6A- 6.053(3) F.A.C.	School-based instructional coach	Meeting agendas	Quarterly	Progress monitoring reports are shared by the school instructional coach.	Data is reviewed quarterly by the Reading Leadership team made up of administrators, teachers, coaches, and parents.
Monitoring of plan implementation	The school leadership team meets three times each year to review data and evaluate the health of the tier 1 reading plan.	Leadership teams ask these guiding questions about core instruction in reading: 1) Are all students working with	Three times each year	The K-12 reading plan is reviewed by the school advisory committee three times each year along with the school improvement plan.	The K-12 reading plan is reviewed by the school advisory committee three times each year along with the school improvement plan.

Okeechobee County School uses the MTSS problem solving process:	
What problem-solving steps are in place for making decisions based on data? Imp base	
What we blom colving stone are in place	
Other: (Specify)	

The four steps of the problem solving	provide feedback: 1) Classroom observation and	assistant superintendent of instructional services, the
process are as follows:	feedback 2) Grade/department level MTSS	coordinator of assessment and accountability, school
1. Step I: Problem Identification – What	meetings 3) Data Chats	principals, and instructional coaches monitor the pacing of
exactly is the problem or discrepancy		instruction, implementation of assessments, and
between the current situation and the goal?		dissemination of progress monitoring data. These leaders
2. Step II: Problem Analysis – Why is the		communicate with one another to ensure fidelity to the plan.
problem occurring? 3. Step III: Intervention Design and		Concerns about implementation may be addressed by the
Implementation – What exactly are we going		Superintendent, or district level administrators during bi-
to do about it?		monthly district leadership and principal meetings.
4. Step IV: Response to		Principals and coaches may address concerns at the school
Instruction/Intervention – Is the plan working?		site during daily interactions with teachers and weekly
		during grade level/department level team meetings.

Professional Development per 6A-6.053(4) F.A.C.

Requirement	How is it communicated to principals?	How is it monitored by principals?	How often is it reported to the district and in what format?	To whom is it reported at the district?	Who at the district level is responsible for following up if the professional development requirement isn't happening?
Training in multisensory reading intervention	Multisensory reading intervention training is provided by FDLRS and communicated to principals and teachers via the district professional development calendar.	In-service records	Reporting is on-going In-service records	Coordinator of staff development	Coordinator of staff development
Differentiated professional development with intensity increased for those teachers whose progress monitoring data is not showing adequate growth	Differentiated professional development (PD) opportunities are communicated	In-service records	Reporting is on-going In-service records	Coordinator of staff development	Coordinator of staff development

	through the district professional development calendar. The district monitors observation indicators for cluster needs and principals request topics based on classroom observation, These topics are added to the PD calendar throughout the year.				
Identification of mentor teachers	Mentor teachers are selected	In-service records	Initial reporting occurs in August and	Coordinator of staff development	Coordinator of staff development
	from a pool of		additional mentor		
	teachers who		assignments are		
	have completed		reported throughout		
	clinical educator		the year for midyear		
	training.		hires.		
	Principals				
	receive a list of		In-service records		
	eligible teachers				
	at the beginning				
	of each school				
Establishing of model	year. Model	Direct observation	Model classroom are	Coordinator of staff	Coordinator of staff
classrooms within the school	classrooms are	Direct observation	identified at the	development	development
Classiconis within the school	identified by		beginning of each	acvelopinent	development
	principals using		school year and		
	teacher		reported to the		
]	performance		coordinator of staff		
	criteria.		development.		
Providing teachers with time	All teachers are	Contract	Contract	Contract	Superintendent

weekly to meet together for	provide with		
professional development	daily planning		
including lesson study and	time by contract.		
PLCs			

Instruction

K-5 Uninterrupted 90 minute Daily Reading Block per 6A-6.053(9)(a) F.A.C.

Requirement	How is it	How is it monitored	How is it reported to the	To whom is it	How often is it reported
	communicated to	by principals?	district?	reported at the	to the district?
	principals?			district?	
Whole group instruction utilizing	Student	Classroom	Master schedules,	Assistant	Yearly
an evidence-based sequence of	Progression Plan,	observation,	District core text	superintendent of	
reading instruction	MTSS Handbook,	MTSS fidelity checks	adoption process	instructional	
	Core curriculum			services	
	adopted by the				
	district				
Small group differentiated	Student	Classroom	District instructional	Assistant	Monthly
instruction in order to meet	Progression Plan,	observation,	rounds	superintendent of	
individual student needs	MTSS Handbook	MTSS fidelity checks		instructional	
				services	

Budget per 6A-6.053(2) F.A.C.

How is the district prioritizing K-3 students with substantial reading deficiencies in the use of its Research-Based Reading Instruction Allocation funds?

OCSD prioritized the extended day instruction for Seminole Elementary, one of Florida's Lowest 300 Schools.

Reading Allocation Budget Item	Amount
Estimated proportional share distributed to district charter	0
District expenditures on reading coaches assigned to elementary schools	0
District expenditures on reading coaches assigned to secondary schools	0
District expenditures on intervention teachers assigned to elementary schools	259109.67
District expenditures on intervention teachers assigned to secondary schools	0
District expenditures on supplemental materials or interventions for elementary schools	0
District expenditures on supplemental materials or interventions for secondary schools	0
District expenditures on reading coaches assigned to elementary schools	0
District expenditures on reading coaches assigned to secondary schools	0
District expenditures on professional development	0
District expenditures on helping teachers earn the reading endorsement	0
District expenditures on summer reading camps	0
District expenditures on additional hour for school on the list of 300 lowest performing	121989.33
elementary schools	
Flexible Categorical Spending	0
Sum of Expenditures	381099.00
Amount of District Research-Based Reading Instruction Allocation	381099.00

Summer Reading Camp

All Summer Reading Camp teachers are required to be highly effective and reading endorsed/certified. An addendum will be sent out the last week of August 2020 requesting specific information.

What evidence-based instructional materials are being used for Summer Reading Camp?

Teacher Created Materials Focused Reading and paired reading texts
Will students in grades other than 3 be served also? Yes \square No \boxtimes
If yes, which grade levels?

Reading Allocation Literacy Coaches

Minimum Qualifications per 6A-6.053(6)(d) F.A.C.:

Coaches must meet the following criteria:

- reading endorsement or reading certification
- experience as successful classroom teachers
- knowledge of evidence-based reading research
- special expertise in quality reading instruction and infusing reading strategies into instruction
- data management skills
- strong knowledge base in working with adult learners
- excellent communication skills
- outstanding presentation, interpersonal, and time-management skills

An addendum will be sent out the last week of August 2020 requesting specific information.

What problem-solving method was used to determine which schools have the greatest need based on student performance data in reading per 6A-6.053 F.A.C.? (Please attach any rubrics or related artifacts)

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The four steps of the problem solving process are as follows:

- 1. Step I: Problem Identification What exactly is the problem or discrepancy between the current situation and the goal?
- 2. Step II: Problem Analysis Why is the problem occurring?
- 3. Step III: Intervention Design and Implementation What exactly are we going to do about it?
- 4. Step IV: Response to Instruction/Intervention Is the plan working?

How have you communicated to principals, coaches, teachers, and district staff that coaches are not asked to perform administrative functions that will confuse their role for teachers; and that they are to spend limited time administering or coordinating assessments?

Principals and coaches have been trained in the Just Read Florida! Coaching Model! and have been given a sample coaching schedule to use for planning. Coaches are required to complete a coaching log and the log is reviewed by principals quarterly.

Who is monitoring whether that is adhered to? Whom do coaches go to with concerns if these requirements are not followed?

Dr. Pat McCoy, assistant superintendent for instructional services

Coaching Model per 6A-6.053(6)(b) F.A.C.

Is your district using the Just Read, Florida! coaching model? Yes \boxtimes No \square

If you checked no, please complete and submit the Alternative Coaching Model document.

If you checked yes, please fill out the following chart:

Requirements of the Just Read, Florida! Coaching Model per 6A-6.053(6)(c) F.A.C.

- Provide professional development on the following:
 - o the major reading components, as needed, based on an analysis of student performance data
 - o administration and analysis of instructional assessments
 - o providing differentiated instruction and intensive intervention
- Model effective instructional strategies for teachers
- Facilitate study groups
- Train teachers in data analysis and using data to differentiate instruction
- Coach and mentor colleagues
- Provide daily support to classroom teachers
- Work with teachers to ensure that evidence-based reading programs are implemented with fidelity
- Help to increase instructional density to meet the needs of all students
- Help lead and support reading leadership teams at their school(s)
- Continue to increase their knowledge base in best practices in reading instruction, intervention, and instructional reading strategies
- · Work frequently with students in whole and small group instruction to model and coach in other

teachers' classroom	S			
How are these requirements being communicated to principals?	How are coaches recording their time and tasks?	Who at the district level is monitoring this?	How often is the data being reviewed?	What problem-solving steps are in place for making decisions based on the data?
These requirements are being communicated through the dissemination of the K-12 Reading Plan and district fidelity checks. Principals and coaches have been trained in the Just Read Florida! Coaching Model! and have been given a sample coaching schedule to use for planning. Coaches are required to complete a coaching log and the log is reviewed by principals quarterly.	District developed coaches log	Assistant superintendent for instructional services	Quarterly	Okeechobee County School uses the MTSS problem solving process: The four steps of the problem solving process are as follows: 1. Step I: Problem Identification – What exactly is the problem or discrepancy between the current situation and the goal? 2. Step II: Problem Analysis – Why is the problem occurring? 3. Step III: Intervention Design and Implementation – What exactly are we going to do about it? 4. Step IV: Response to Instruction/Intervention – Is the plan working?

Other Considerations

Reading Intervention Data Element per 6A-6.053(7)(e)

Reporting of data elements is required by the K-12 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan within the Automated Student and Staff Data Base System. These data elements include:

- Student Enrollment in Reading Intervention;
- Reading Endorsement competency status for teachers;
- Reading Certification progress status for teachers.

Charter schools per 6A-6.053(5)

Charter schools must utilize their proportionate share of the research-based reading allocation in accordance with Sections 1002.33(7)(a)2.a., and 1008.25(3)(a), F.S. All intensive reading interventions specified by the charter must be delivered by a teacher who is certified or endorsed in reading.

Instructional Continuity Plan

Given that it is important to plan ahead for any contingency, please attach your Instructional Continuity Plan for 2020-2021 if you wish to have it reviewed by Just Read, Florida! We will offer feedback and suggest resources.

Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment Decision Trees per 6A-6.053(9)(c)

<u>Use the following decision tree template to address ALL district students. What follows is one tree that</u> can be copied as needed. The template can be used for grade bands or for individual grades.

The Decision Trees must contain the following information:

- The grade level(s) of students the decision tree is addressing
- Name and performance benchmark on screening, diagnostic, progress monitoring, local assessment, statewide assessment or teacher observations used to identify students with substantial deficiencies in reading and subsequent interventions provided
- A description of the intensive, explicit, systematic and multisensory reading interventions which will be provided to students in grades K-3
- Information on how the Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener will be used to identify students for intervention
- Core curriculum and K-12 intervention materials that address the six (6) components of reading: oral language, phonological awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension
- The methods for providing reading instruction and intervention to students who may continue to receive instruction through distance or blended learning

Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Decision Tree							
Grade L	Grade Level(s):						
IF:	Student meets the following criteria at beginning of school year: K-3: Student's overall scale score is on grade level or one grade level below on the iReady diagnostic assessment (green & yellow) or FLKRS scale score is 497-529. 4-12: Student's scale score is equivalent to a High FSA level 2 or FSA level 3 and above on NWEA See table in Addendum A						
THEN:	TIER 1 Only						
	Initial instruction: is standards-aligned builds background and content knowledge, motivation provides print rich, systematic, scaffolded, and differentiated instruction incorporates writing in response to reading includes accommodations (IEP, ESOL or 504) incorporates the principles of Universal Design for Learning includes specially designed instruction for students with disabilities						
	Core Curriculum						
	Please indicate your core curriculum and how its use by the students served is supported by strong evidence, moderate evidence, or promising evidence.						
TIER 1	K-5 ReadyGEN: Pearson conducted a one year summative field test of its ReadyGEN English language arts program. This study was conducted in first and fourth grade classrooms during the 2015-2016 school year. This study indicates that ReadyGEN is effective at significantly increasing student reading achievement. Results by ReadyGEN subgroups also showed significant learning gains across different types of students including females, males, Limited English Proficiency students and non-LEP students, Special Education and non-Special Education students, and students of various ethnicities. ReadyGEN teachers reported that students learned important English Language Arts skills over the course of the study but only half were satisfied with student progress. Student attitude results were mixed in that fourth grade students academic attitude increased with first graders decreased. In sum, scientific research indicates that the ReadyGEN program is an effective and useful program for both teachers and students. EdReports.org summarized The ReadyGen instructional materials for Kindergarten and Grades 1-2 meet expectations for alignment. The materials include texts that are worthy of students' time and attention and provide many opportunities for rich and rigorous evidence-based discussions and writing about texts to build strong literacy skills. Students have opportunities to build skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening, and they integrate language work throughout. Texts include a balance of genres and are appropriately rigorous and complex for intermediate students. Most tasks and questions are grounded in evidence. Materials address foundational skills where appropriate to support students' building their reading abilities to comprehend increasingly complex texts over the course of the school year. Vocabulary is addressed in each module, though academic vocabulary is not built across multiple texts. The materials meet use and design expectations, including teacher tools to plan and differentiate instruction,						

6-12 Collections: The Houghton Mifflin Harcourt® Collections program for Grades 6 through 12 is a comprehensive English language arts program. The program is anchored on a set of rich, engaging, and complex literary and informational texts, and is designed to develop students' abilities to analyze complex texts, cite from sources, reason, and communicate orally and in writing. Developed around rigorous state standards and expectations, the program challenges and supports all students to become critical and close readers. The program develops students' writing across varied genres with models of effective texts and ample opportunities for writing about texts. With a blend of print and digital resources and online tools, the program delivers 21st-century learning. Educational Research Institute of America (ERIA) conducted a full school year study to test the effectiveness of the HMH Collections (2017). This study was conducted with students in Grades 7 to 10 during the 2016–2017 school year. Pretest and posttest assessments were developed to assess the program objectives and the Common Core State Standards. Study results indicate that Collections is effective at improving the ability of Grade 7 to 10 students to analyze complex texts, determine evidence, reason critically, and communicate thoughtfully. In addition, the results showed that students in Collections classrooms made statistically significant gains in all grades tested over the course of the full year. **Strong Evidence**

Progress Monitoring					
Assessment & Frequency	Performance Criteria that indicates Tier 1 is sufficient	Performance Criteria that would prompt addition of Tier 2 interventions			
Universal Screening: 3 times per year (beginning, middle, end) for all students at elementary; 2 - 3 times per year for all students at secondary Elementary: iReady Secondary: NWEA	On progress monitoring assessments students: K-5: Student's overall scale score is on grade level or one grade level below on the iReady diagnostic assessment (green & yellow) 6-12: Student's scale score is equivalent to a High FSA level 2 or FSA level 3 and above on NWEA	K-2: 3-5: Student's overall scale score is two grade levels below on the iReady diagnostic assessment (light red) 4-12: Student's scale score is equivalent to Low FSA level 2 or High FSA level 1 on iReady or NWEA			

How is the effectiveness of Tier 1 instruction being monitored?

Principals provide leadership and commitment to MTSS at all three tiers. Administrators lead implementation, participate on the SPS team (School Problem Solving Team), provide relevant and focused professional development linked to MTSS, and incorporate MTSS into their school improvement plans. Administrators also review universal screening data to ensure Tier 1 instruction is meeting the needs of a minimum of 80 to 85 percent of the school population. Site administrators develop the master schedule to include blocks of time for intervention/enrichment.

What procedures are in place to identify and solve problems to improve effectiveness of Tier 1 instruction?

Site administrators monitor integrity of instruction at both the core and intervention levels and consider the following:

- 1. Monitoring core instruction:
- Are all students working with grade-level materials and standards?
- Are teachers well-supported in implementing adopted programs and items from the approved supplemental list?
- Is content for students appropriately paced?
- Does the movement through material attend to the developmental readiness of the student?
- Is there evidence of differentiated instruction?
- Is small-group, leveled instruction provided multiple days each week?
- 2. Monitoring intervention integrity:
- Is the intervention plan implemented with integrity?
- Administrator signs off on integrity of instruction and intervention across tiers.

Intervention plan goals are being achieved at the desired rate

- 3. Establishing feedback system regarding instructional integrity:
- a. Make quality instruction a part of the annual goals for all teachers.

	b. Acknowledge staff members who are delivering quality instruction and support those who are not to raise their level of performance. Each teacher is given specific feedback regarding impact of instruction/intervention on student learning
How is the effectiveness of Tier 1 curriculum being monitored? The effectiveness of the tier 1 curriculum is monitored at the district level by reviewing teacher observation data, diagnostic data three times a year and evaluation of end of year state assessment data.	What procedures are in place to identify and solve problems to improve effectiveness of Tier 1 curriculum? Okeechobee County School uses the MTSS problem solving process: The four steps of the problem solving process are as follows: 1. Step I: Problem Identification – What exactly is the problem or discrepancy between the current situation and the goal? 2. Step II: Problem Analysis – Why is the problem occurring? 3. Step III: Intervention Design and Implementation – What exactly are we going to do about it? 4. Step IV: Response to Instruction/Intervention – Is the plan working?

How is instruction modified for students who receive instruction through distance learning? Students will have two options for distance learning:

- 1) Okeechobee Virtual School; full time online instruction completed at home.
- 2) Okeechobee Transitional Distance Learning model; full time online instruction/live streamed lessons completed at home.

IF:	Student meets the following criteria at beginning of school year: K-3: Student's overall scale score is two grade levels below on the iReady diagnostic assessment (light red) or FLKRS scale score is 438-496. 4-12: Student's scale score is equivalent to Low FSA level 2 or High FSA level 1 on iReady or NWEA See table in Addendum A					
THEN:	TIER 1 in	struction an	d TIER 2 interve	ntions		
IER 2 interventions	Interventions:					
IT þr	TIER 2 Programs/Materials/Strategies & Duration	TIER 2 Progress Monitoring				
TIER 1 instruction and TIER 2 interventions		Assessment & Frequency	Performance Criteria to discontinue Tier 2 intervention	Performance Criteria indicating continuation of Tier 2 interventions in addition to Tier 1 instruction	Performance Criteria that would prompt addition of Tier 3 interventions	
	iReady	Diagnostic- three time a year	K-5: Student's overall scale score is on	K-5: Student's overall scale score is two grade levels	K-2: 3-5: Student's overall scale	

		grade level or one grade level below on the iReady diagnostic assessment (green & yellow)	below on the iReady diagnostic assessment (light red)	score is three grade levels below or more on the iReady diagnostic assessment (dark red)
Exact Path NWEA (assessment)	Diagnostic- three times per year	6-12: Student's scale score is equivalent to a FSA level 3 or above or High FSA level 2 on NWEA	6-12: Student's scale score is equivalent to Low FSA level 2 or High FSA level 1 on NWEA	6-12: Student's scale score is equivalent to Middle or Low FSA level 1 on NWEA
Targeted interventions in addition to core instruction. Focused support: Small group problem solving with materials, strategies, and duration identified on each student's tier 2 MTSS plan. Branching Minds platform will be used to create and monitor individual MTSS goals.	Progress monitoring occurs bi-weekly or as appropriate to targeted skill area: easyCBM,	Sufficient Growth at Tier 2 and 3: If the trend line is above the goal line, then the intervention is working. If the student's growth is above the minimum desired growth, then the team can consider the possibility of moving the student down in tier. A general guideline to consider is that a student should demonstrate 3 consecutive data points above the goal line and have other sources of data documenting that the originally identified	Uncertain Growth at Tier 2 and 3: If the trend line is below the goal line and performance on grade level standards is not improving, then a change in the intervention plan is required. When determining a change is needed, schools return to problem identification to determine if the problem was identified accurately. Problem Analysis is also revisited to determine if the original hypothesis about the student's problem is accurate. Modifiable factors can be examined to determine if a modification can be made to better support the identified	Insufficient Growth at Tier 2: If Tier 2 supports are determined to be inadequate and the student's growth is below the goal line, he or she may require more intensive supports at Tier 3. For this to occur, the MTSS team must be certain that prior interventions have been aligned with student needs and implemented with sufficiency and integrity. Branching Minds captures this information.

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Prevention Fidelity	1) Are all students	1) Direct Observation	Principals
(Tier 1, Core Instruction,	working with grade-level	2) Documented Self-	Assistant Principals
and Positive Behavior	materials and standards?	Reporting	Instructional Coaches
Intervention Supports	2) Are teachers well-	3) Universal Screening	
	supported in	Data	
	implementing adopted	4) Behavioral Data	
	programs and		
	supplemental materials?		
	Is content for students		
	appropriately paced?		
	3) Is there evidence of		
	differentiated		
	instruction?		
	4) Is small-group, level		
	instruction provided?		
Intervention Fidelity	1) Is the intervention plan	1) Direct Observation	Assistant Principals
(Tier2 & Tier 3, Small	implemented with	documented within	Teachers
Group & Individual)	integrity?	Branching Minds	Instructional Coaches
	2) Assistant Principal	2) Fidelity check within	
	signs off on integrity of	Branching Minds Platform	
	instruction and	(time & integrity)	
	intervention across tiers.	3) Documented Self-	
	3) Has progress	Reporting	
	monitoring occurred	4) Behavior Rating Scales	
	accurately & in a timely		
	manner?		

Explain how the use of the programs/materials/strategies is supported by strong evidence, moderate evidence, or promising evidence.

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students. During this call, parent(s) and staff identify what blocker(s) appear to prevent student success and develop a brief written intervention plan to address these blockers. These home-based RTI/MTSS plans become part of the overall intervention record of at-risk students in the Branching Minds platform.

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IF:	Student meets the following criteria at beginning of school year: K-3: Student's overall scale score is three grade levels below or more on the iReady diagnostic assessment (dark red) or FLKRS scale score is 437 or below. 4-12: Student's scale score is equivalent to Middle and Low FSA level 1 on NWEA See table in Addendum A				
THEN:	TIER 1 instruction, TIER 2	2 interventions, a	and TIER 3 intensive inte	rventions	
entions	Immediate, intensive intervention:				
terve	TIER 3 Programs/Materials/Strategies & Duration		TIER 3 Progress Monitoring		
3 Intensive Interventions	Duration	Assessment & Frequency	Performance Criteria to remove Tier 3 and continue Tier 2 interventions in addition to Tier 1 instruction	Performance Criteria that would prompt changes to Tier 3 interventions	
TIER 1 instruction, TIER 2 interventions, and TIER 3 In	iReady	Diagnostic- three time a year	K-5: Student's overall scale score is two grade levels below on the iReady diagnostic assessment (light red)	K-2: 3-5: Student's overall scale score is three grade levels below or more on the iReady diagnostic assessment (dark red)	
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the problem is occurring.

plan and adjust one or more of the following: focus on a different and/or more foundational skill change the intervention change time of the intervention change the interventionist increase frequency

All Tier 3 Interventions must be provided by a teacher who is certified in reading or has the reading endorsement.

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		session	

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	programs and supplemental materials? Is content for students appropriately paced? 3) Is there evidence of differentiated instruction? 4) Is small-group, level instruction provided?		
Intervention Fidelity (Tier2 & Tier 3, Small	1) Is the intervention plan implemented with	Direct Observation documented within	Assistant Principals Teachers
Group & Individual)	integrity? 2) Assistant Principal signs off on integrity of instruction and intervention across tiers. 3) Has progress monitoring occurred accurately & in a timely manner?	Branching Minds 2) Fidelity check within Branching Minds Platform (time & integrity) 3) Documented Self- Reporting 4) Behavior Rating Scales	Instructional Coaches

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MTSS Tier Placement: iReady Scale Score Chart

						FAI	L						
95	300	Tier 3 Tier 2			Tier 1								
Assessment		(3 ÷ Below) (2 Below)		w)	(One Below)		(Early)		(Mid)		(Late+)		
	30 03	Scale Score	Percentile	Scale Score	Percentile	Scale Score	Percentile	Scale Score	Percentile	Scale Score	Percentile	Scale Score	Percentile
ELA	Grade K	< 319	<12	319 - 332	12-25	333 - 361	26-67	362 - 395	68-92	396 - 423	93-98	424+	99+
	Grade 1	< 357	<12	357 - 376	12-25	377 - 433	26-75	434 - 457	76-87	458 - 479	88-94	480 +	95+
	Grade 2	< 397	<10	397 - 418	10-18	419 - 488	19-65	489 - 512	66-82	513 - 536	83-94	537+	94+
	Grade 3	< 419	<7	419 - 473	7-25	474 - 510	26-53	511 - 544	54-80	545 - 560	81-89	561+	90+
	Grade 4	<474	<15	474 - 495	15-25	496 - 556	26-71	557 - 578	72-85	579 - 602	86-95	603 +	95+
	Grade 5	< 496	<15	496 - 541	15-38	542 - 580	39-68	581 - 608	69-86	609 - 629	87-94	630+	95+
	Grade K	<322	<12	322 - 332	12-25	333 - 361	26-76	362 - 372	77-88	373 - 411	89-99	412+	99+
	Grade 1	<347	<12	347 - 360	12-25	361 - 401	26-83	402 - 412	84-92	413 - 454	93-99	455+	99+
Math	Grade 2	< 373	<12	373 - 386	12-22	387 - 427	23-81	428 - 440	82-91	441 - 496	92-99	506 ÷	99+
	Grade 3	< 386	<8	387 - 412	8-26	413 - 448	27-76	449 - 463	77-93	464 - 506	94-99	507+	99+
	Grade 4	< 413	<12	413 - 433	12-26	434 - 464	27-68	465 - 481	69-88	482 - 516	89-99	517+	99+
	Grade 5	<434	<14	434 - 449	14-24	450 - 479	25-64	480 - 497	65-86	498 - 526	87-99	527+	99+

The table above outlines the tier placement for grades kindergarten through five students and is based on grade placement and pecentile ranking on the iReady diagnostic assessment. The scale scores in the table that are used for tier placement identify grade level placement; therefore, they do not change throughout the school year since the student remains in the same grade. If a student's scale score does not improve from diagnostic 1 to diagnostic 2 then the interventions should be evaluated not the tier placement of that student. The colors and tier placements for each grade do NOT coorelate with the tables and information provided on the iReady platform. This is especially true for grades K-2 since iReady does not identify students that are two or three grades below grade level. The diagnostic assessment performance as well as additional sources of data (past tier performance, benchmark data, formative assessments, etc.) should be utilized when making decisions regarding tier placement.

MTSS Tier Placment: FSA Learning Gains Scale Score Chart

1,000	2222	Tier 3		Tie	r 2	Tier 1			
Assessment		Low Level 1	Mid Level 1	High Level 1	Low Level 2	High Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
	Grade 3	240 - 254	255 - 269	270 - 284	285 - 292	293 - 299	300-314	315-329	330-360
	Grade 4	251 - 266	267 - 281	282 - 296	297 - 303	304 - 310	311-324	325-339	340-372
	Grade 5	257 - 272	273 - 288	289 - 303	304 - 312	313 - 320	321-335	336-351	352-385
ELA	Grade 6	259 - 275	276 - 292	293 - 308	309 - 317	318 - 325	326-338	339-355	356-391
ELA	Grade 7	267 - 283	284 - 300	301 - 317	318 - 325	326 - 332	333-345	346-359	360-397
	Grade 8	274 - 289	290 - 305	306 - 321	322 - 329	330 - 336	337-351	352-365	366-403
	Grade 9	276 - 293	294 - 310	311 - 327	328 - 335	336 - 342	343-354	355-369	370-407
	Grade 10	284 - 300	301 - 317	318 - 333	334 - 341	342 - 349	350-361	362-377	378-412
	Grade 3	240 - 254	255 - 269	270 - 284	285 - 290	291 - 296	297-310	311-326	327-360
	Grade 4	251 - 266	267 - 282	283 - 298	299 - 304	305 - 309	310-324	325-339	340-376
3.6.45	Grade 5	256 - 272	273 - 289	290 - 305	306 - 312	313 - 319	320-333	334-349	350-388
Math	Grade 6	260 - 276	277 - 293	294 - 309	310 - 317	318 - 324	325-338	339-355	356-390
	Grade 7	269 - 284	285 - 300	301 - 315	316 - 322	323 - 329	330-345	346-359	360-391
	Grade 8	273 - 289	290 - 305	306 - 321	322 - 329	330 - 336	337-352	353-364	365-393
TC L FOC	Algebra 1	425 - 445	446 - 466	467 - 486	487 - 491	492 - 496	497-517	518-531	532-575
FSA EOC	Geometry	425 - 445	446 - 465	466 - 485	486 - 492	493 - 498	499-520	521-532	533-575

MTSS Tier Placement: FLKRS Scale Score Chart

Assess	ment	Tier 3	Tier 2	Tier 1	
ELA FLKRS Assessment	Grade K	437 or below	438-496	497 or above	

MTSS Tier Placement: NWEA RIT Score Chart

	FALL										
	2/	Tie	r3	Tie	r 2		Tie	r 1			
ASS	essment	Low Level 1	Mid Level 1	High Level 1	Low Level 2	High Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5		
8	Grade 6	100 - 176	177 - 188	189 - 200	201 - 206	207 - 211	212 - 219	220 - 231	232 - 350		
ELA	Grade 7	100 - 177	178 - 193	194 - 204	205 - 210	211 - 214	215 - 223	224 - 232	233 - 350		
	Grade 8	100 - 178	179 - 194	195 - 206	207 - 211	212 - 216	217 - 226	227 - 234	235 - 350		
	Grade 6	100 - 182	183 - 193	194 - 203	204 - 209	210 - 213	214 - 222	223 - 235	236 - 350		
Math	Grade 7	100 - 185	186 - 197	198 - 207	208 - 212	213 - 217	218 - 228	229 - 238	239 - 350		
	Grade 8	100 - 189	190 - 199	200 - 209	210 - 214	215 - 219	220 - 230	231 - 241	242 - 350		
	150		2	W	INTER						
	essment	Tie	г3	Tier 2		Tier 1					
Ass	essment	Low Level 1	Mid Level 1	High Level 1	Low Level 2	High Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5		
	Grade 6	100 - 182	183 - 193	194 - 204	205 - 209	210 - 215	216 - 222	223 - 232	233 - 350		
ELA	Grade 7	100 - 182	183 - 197	198 - 207	208 - 213	214 - 217	218 - 225	226 - 233	234 - 350		
	Grade 8	100 - 184	185 - 198	199 - 209	210 - 214	215 - 218	219 - 227	228 - 235	236 - 350		
	Grade 6	100 - 187	188 - 198	199 208	209 - 214	215 - 218	219 - 227	228 - 239	240 - 350		
Math	Grade 7	100 - 189	190 - 201	202 - 211	212 - 216	217 - 221	222 - 232	233 - 242	243 - 350		
	Grade 8	100 - 192	193 - 202	203 - 212	213 - 217	218 - 222	223 - 233	234 - 243	244 - 350		
				S	PRING						
A	essment	Tie	r 3	Tie	r 2	- 02	Tie	rl			
Alas	езэшен	Low Level 1	Mid Level 1	High Level 1	Low Level 2	High Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5		
	Grade 6	100 - 185	186 - 196	197 - 206	207 - 211	212 - 216	217 - 223	224 - 233	234 - 350		
ELA	Grade 7	100 - 185	186 - 199	200 - 209	210 - 214	215 - 218	219 - 226	227 - 234	235 - 350		
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	Grade 6	100 - 190	191 - 201	202 - 211	212 - 217	218 - 221	222 - 230	231 - 242	243 - 350		
Math	Grade 7	100 - 191	192 - 203	204 - 213	214 - 218	219 - 223	224 - 234	235 - 244	245 - 350		
	Grade 8	100 - 194	195 - 204	205 - 214	215 - 219	220 - 224	225 - 235	236 - 245	246 - 350		

The table above outlines the tier placement for grades six through eight students and is based on the FSA score predictor from the NWEA platform. Since the RIT scores are used as a predictor for FSA performance the score after each assessment throughout the school year adjusts in order to accurately predict how each student will perform on the FSA assessment at the end of the year. The tier placement and scores coorelate with the tables and information provided on the NWEA platform. The diagnostic assessment performance as well as additional sources of data (past tier performance, benchmark data, formative assessments, etc.) should be utilized when making decisions regarding tier placement.

Okeechobee2020-2021 300 Lowest-Performing Elementary School Additional Hour of Reading Instruction Implementation Plan

Please complete the following questions to be included as an addendum to the 2020-2021 K-12 District Comprehensive Reading Plan for all schools in your district who are on the list of 300 Lowest Performing Elementary Schools. A district may submit one set of answers for multiple schools in the district if every school is using the same implementation plan.

Section 1: Contact Information

1. District name: Okeechobee

2. Contact name for schools covered on this plan: Dr. Pat McCoy

Contact phone number: 863-462-5000
 Contact email: mccoyp@okee.k12.fl.us

5. Schools covered by this plan: Seminole Elementary

Section 2: Length of School Day

F.A.C. Rule 6A-6.053 requires 90 minutes of reading instruction in grades K-5, and section 1011.62(9) F.S. requires an additional hour of reading instruction, which may be covered within the school day, for a minimum total of 150 minutes. Please answer the following questions regarding the length of the school day and the number of instructional minutes provided.

School start time: 8:00 am
 School dismissal time: 3:15 pm

3. Total number of instructional minutes per day: 435

4. Minutes per day of reading instruction (must be at least 150): 150

Section 3. Instructional Design

1. Students enrolled in these schools who earned a level 4 or level 5 on the statewide standardized English Language Arts assessment for the previous school year may participate in the extra hour of instruction. Describe the process your district/school uses to serve these students.

Level 4 and 5 students will receive differentiated instruction based on their need identified from the iReady diagnostic assessment. Enrichment activities and acceleration opportunities will also be implemented to ensure student continue to grow. Model Eliciting Activity (MEA) STEM lessons are used during the extra hour of instruction as well as, project-based learning modules.

2. The additional hour per day of intensive reading instruction must be provided by teachers and reading specialists who have demonstrated effectiveness in teaching reading. Describe the process your district/school uses to ensure this occurs.

The school principal was notified of the requirement to have effective or highly-effective teachers provide the extended hour of instruction. All of the instructional staff who teach the additional block were checked against the IPC portion of the evaluation ratings.

3. The intensive reading instruction delivered in this additional hour shall include evidence-based reading instruction that has been proven to accelerate progress of students exhibiting a reading deficiency. Describe the intensive reading instruction your district/school uses during the additional hour and how it has been proven to accelerate progress of students exhibiting a reading deficiency.

Seminole Elementary will be focusing on explicit instruction in phonics and phonemic awareness during the additional hour of instruction.

According to Chall (1996), "systematic and early instruction in phonics leads to better rea ding: better accuracy of word recognition, decoding, spelling, and oral and silent reading comprehension." The most effective type of instruction, especially for children at risk for reading difficulties, is explicit (direct) instruction (Adams, 1990; Chall, 1996; Honig, 1995; Evans and Carr, 1985; Stahl and Miller, 1989; Anderson et al, 1985.). Implicit instruct ion relies on readers "discovering" clues about sound-

spelling relationships. Good readers can do this; poor readers aren't likely to. Good readers can generalize their knowledge of sound-

spelling relationships and syllable patterns to read new words in which these and other so und- spellings and patterns occur. Poor readers must rely on explicit instruction.

Although explicit instruction has proved more effective than implicit instruction, the key element in the success of explicit phonics instruction is the provision of multiple opportunities to read decodable words (that is, words containing previously taught sound-spellings) in context (Stahl, Osborn, and Pearson, 1992; Juel and Roper-

Schneider, 1985; Adams, 1990) and ample modeling of the application of these skills to r eal reading. In fact, students who receive phonics instruction achieve best in both decoding and comprehension if the text they read contains high percentages of decodable words. In addition, by around second or third grade, children who've been taught with explicit phonics instruction generally surpass the reading abilities of their peers who've been taught with implicit phonics instruction (Chall, 1996). Seminole purchased BLAST! Phonics program for the 2018-19 SY. Seminole is also using Ready strategies from the iReady Toolkit differentiated instruction. The Scaffolding handbook from ReadyGEN is also used to provide additional strategies for remedial instruction.

4. The intensive reading instruction delivered in this additional hour shall include differentiated instruction based on screening, diagnostic, progress monitoring, or student assessment data to meet students' specific reading needs. Describe the process your district uses to ensure this occurs.

All students K-5 complete the iReady diagnostic screening three times per year. Students are systematically grouped according to his/her performance in each reading sub category of the diagnostic exam. Small group instruction is delivered to each group according to the student's needs. Standards Mastery exams are given at the end of each group of lessons related to a standard, and remediation occurs based on student need.

5. The intensive reading instruction delivered in this additional hour shall include explicit and systematic reading strategies to develop phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension, with more extensive opportunities for guided practice, error correction, and feedback. Describe the process your school/district uses to ensure this occurs.

Explicit instruction in phonics and phonemic awareness will be the focus of instruction during the additional hour. The following materials will be used for instruction Words Their Way (Pearson), Language Power (Teacher Created Materials), and Sing, Spell, Read, and Write.

Most poor readers have a strategy imbalance. They tend to overrely on one reading strat egy, such as the use of context clues, to the exclusion of other strategies that might be more appropriate (Sulzby, 1985). To become skilled fluent readers, children need to ha ve a repertoire of strategies to figure out unfamiliar words (Cunningham, 1990). These strategies include using a knowledge of sound-

spelling relationships, using context clues, and using structural clues and syllabication s trategies. Younger and less skilled readers rely more on context than other, often more effective, strategies (Stanovich, 1980). This is partly due to their inability to use sound-spelling relationships to decode words. Stronger readers don't need to rely on context clues because they can quickly and accurately decode words by sounding them out. Unfortunately, children who get off to a slow start in reading rarely catch up to their pe ers and seldom develop into strong readers (Stanovich, 1986; Juel, 1988). Those who e xperience difficulties decoding early on tend to read less and thereby grow less in terms of word recognition skills and vocabulary.

A longitudinal study conducted by Juel (1988), revealed an 88% probability that a child who is a poor reader at the end of first grade would still be a poor reader at the end of f ourth grade. Stanovich (1986) refers to this as the "Matthew Effect" in which the "rich get richer" (children who are successful decoders early on read more and therefore improve in reading), and the "poor get poorer" (children who have difficulties decoding become increasingly distanced from the good decoders in terms of reading ability).

6. The intensive reading instruction delivered in this additional hour shall include the integration of social studies, science, and mathematics-text reading, text discussion, and writing in response to reading. Describe the process your district uses to ensure this occurs.

The District has provided authentic text in social studies and science as anchor text for the core reading program- ReadyGen. Student practice new reading skills though content aligned with the ELA standards. Students write everyday as a part of the ReadyGEN program. In addition, Top Score Writing is used as a supplement to the ReadyGEN curriculum material in the additional hour of instruction.