



## Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)

A multi-step process of providing instruction and support to promote academic and behavioral success.

## Cocalico School District

### *Our Mission:*

We inspire and support learning for every child, every chance, every day.

### *Our Vision:*

All students will be empowered to achieve their fullest potential.

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This document explains what MTSS means, what it looks like at Denver Elementary School and how families can be involved in the process.

### **What does MTSS mean?**

Denver Elementary School has several people and programs involved in the education of children. While the classroom teacher is the major player, there are many other people to assist with the student's education.

Through MTSS:

1. Students who need additional support are identified early.
2. Those students identified as needing more assistance are provided targeted support using instructional programs or strategies.
3. Individual student progress is monitored frequently with the intensity of the intervention increasing if needed.

### **Goal of MTSS**

The main goal of MTSS is for schools to use their resources in determining what it takes for each child to be successful. This is accomplished by:

- Being prevention-oriented to put supports in place for those students who demonstrate need
- Implementing evidence-based interventions that are tailored to a student's needs
- Using progress monitoring data to know when to make changes in interventions

Our MTSS process has three tiers, with each tier providing differing levels of support:

**Tier I Supports-** All students receive high quality curriculum and instruction in the general education classroom with the core curriculum.

**Tier II Supports-** Select students receive supplemental instructional support, usually in small groups.

**Tier III Supports-** Intense instructional support is provided to students with the greatest needs.

### **Family Involvement**

Tier 1- (general education classroom with core curriculum)

- Communicate with classroom teacher
- Attend school functions
- Ask your student about their school day
- Monitor and assist with homework and assignments
- Promote the value of education

Tier II and III- (small group instruction or individualized support)

- Participate in MTSS meetings
- Make suggestions
- Implement and reinforce strategies at home
- Support your student's efforts and hard work

*You are your child's first teacher and are a major component in their schooling. While we accept responsibility for a key piece in your child's education, we cannot emphasize enough how valuable you are as a partner to us.*