

MTSS in K-12: Tips for Effective Interventions



Students are facing escalating challenges with academics, behavior, and attendance. They need tailored support now more than ever. That's why effective MTSS programs and interventions are so important to address and meet the whole-child needs of all your students. By following these best practices, educators can create a responsive and supportive system and improve the effectiveness of your Tier 1, 2, and 3 interventions.



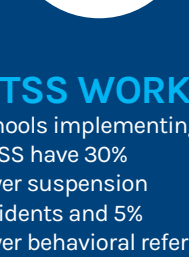
ONLY 34% of district leaders can say which interventions are working, and only 16% say they have the data to see what works.¹



45% OF Education leaders say that a lack of whole-child data is among their top three current challenges to implementing a tiered system of supports for their school system.¹



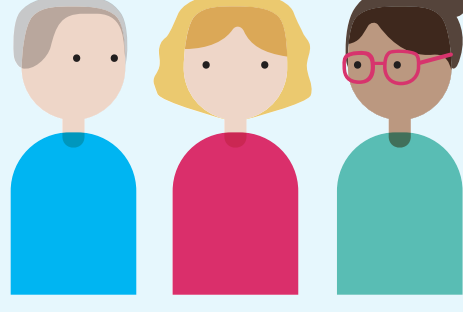
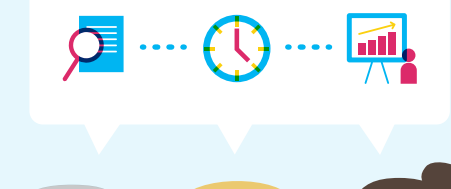
IMPROVING student attendance in school and enacting effective student behavior interventions are the top two priorities for school districts.¹



MTSS WORKS Schools implementing MTSS have 30% fewer suspension incidents and 5% fewer behavioral referrals than non-MTSS schools.²

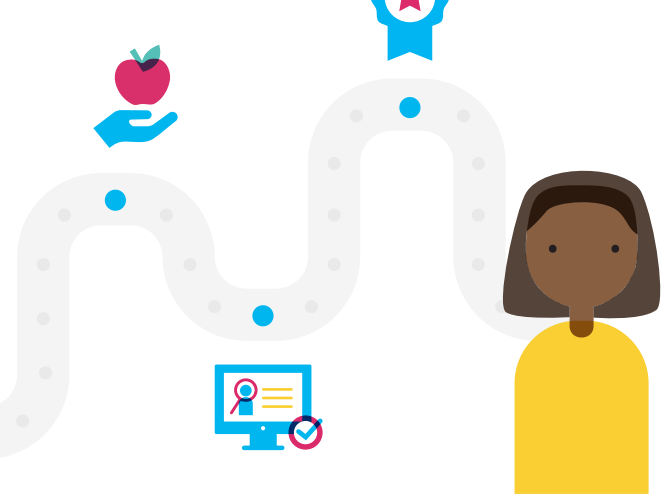
DEFINE YOUR MTSS VISION

- Challenge**
District leadership doesn't articulate a clear and compelling MTSS vision.
- Solution**
- Define, align, and communicate a district-wide MTSS vision
 - Create a preventative, proactive framework supporting all students' success
 - Bring your MTSS team together to create guiding principles



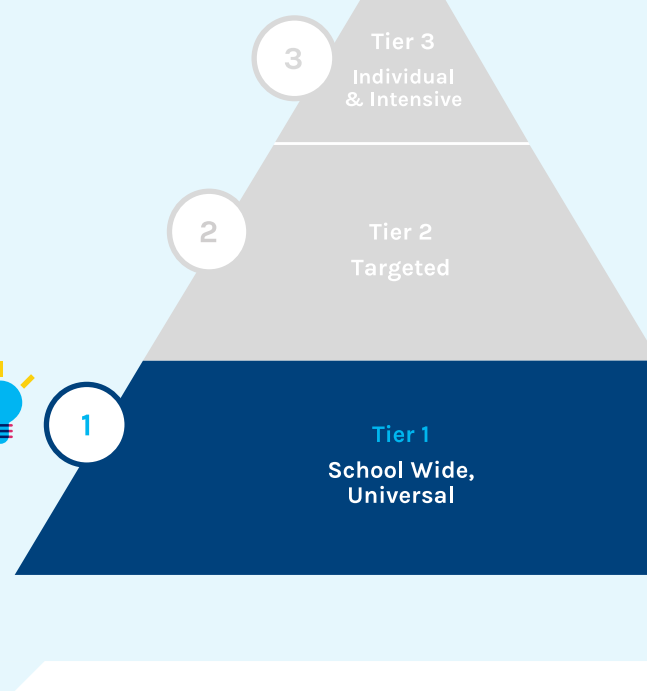
DEFINE YOUR MTSS WORKFLOW

- Challenge**
Implementation success is inconsistent without clearly defined MTSS processes, workflows, and action plans.
- Solution**
- Define and communicate your processes to gain systemic coherence and excellence
 - Give staff a plan for training and resources, ensuring they feel supported and equipped to implement an MTSS process



LESSEN THE BURDEN ON TIER 2 AND 3 SYSTEM OF SUPPORTS

- Challenge**
While it's a goal to see 5-15% of students in Tier 2 interventions and 1-5% in Tier 3 interventions, often those percentages are much higher.
- Solution**
- Focus on developing a strong Tier 1 system of supports
 - Implement early interventions and solid core instruction
 - Use accurate, real-time data from assessments and screenings to address universal student needs



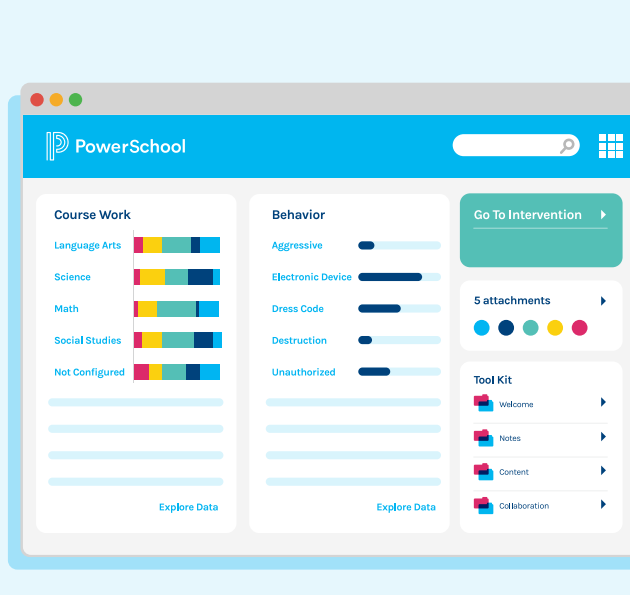
ENSURE MTSS DATA SECURITY

- Challenge**
Often in MTSS practices, data is stored and shared in multiple, possibly unsecure formats.
- Solution**
- Improve data security with a modern, consolidated MTSS framework in one secure platform with role-based access controls
 - Operate MTSS practice in a system that ensures end-to-end encryption, fully encrypted storage, full auditing, and full data recovery



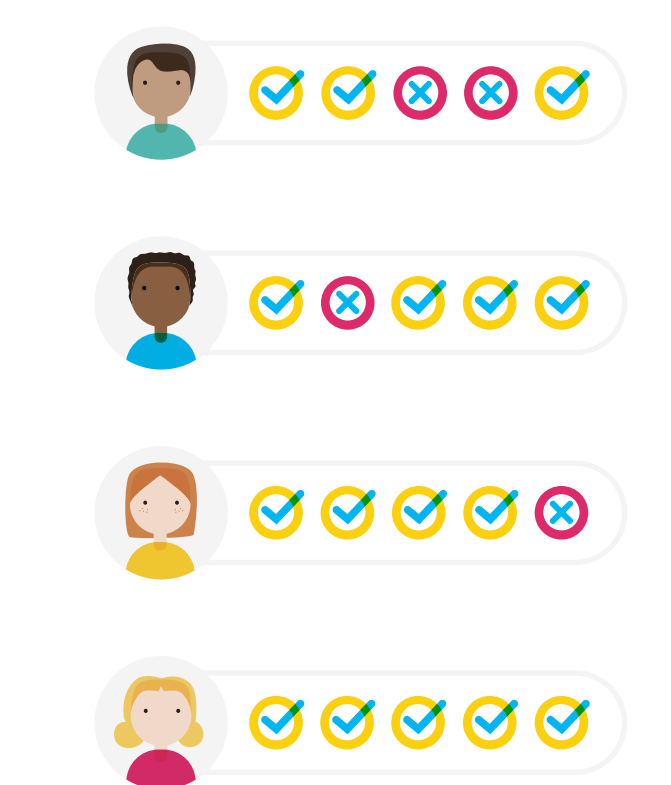
GAIN ACTIONABLE INSIGHTS AND ANALYTICS

- Challenge**
Most schools and districts lack data systems that can collect and aggregate intervention information to analyze which are working and which students they're helping.
- Solution**
- Adopt a comprehensive K-12 MTSS software solution that allows educators of all levels to view the intervention data they need
 - Ensure your MTSS software will enable you to review MTSS framework efficacy for continuous improvement



ADDRESS BEHAVIOR AND ATTENDANCE WITH FOCUSED ANALYTICS

- Challenge**
Classroom student behavior is one of teachers' top challenges, and schools are struggling with attendance because of pandemic-heightened disengagement, lack of family support, and mental health issues.
- Solution**
- Reinforce positive behaviors through individual and group reward systems by centralizing your behavior data in one place with focused analysis tools
 - Streamline the intervention decision-making process by assigning PBIS-based student groups by MTSS interventions
 - Adopt attendance intervention analytics technology to track and analyze reduce barriers to attendance
 - Incorporate attendance data into your MTSS framework

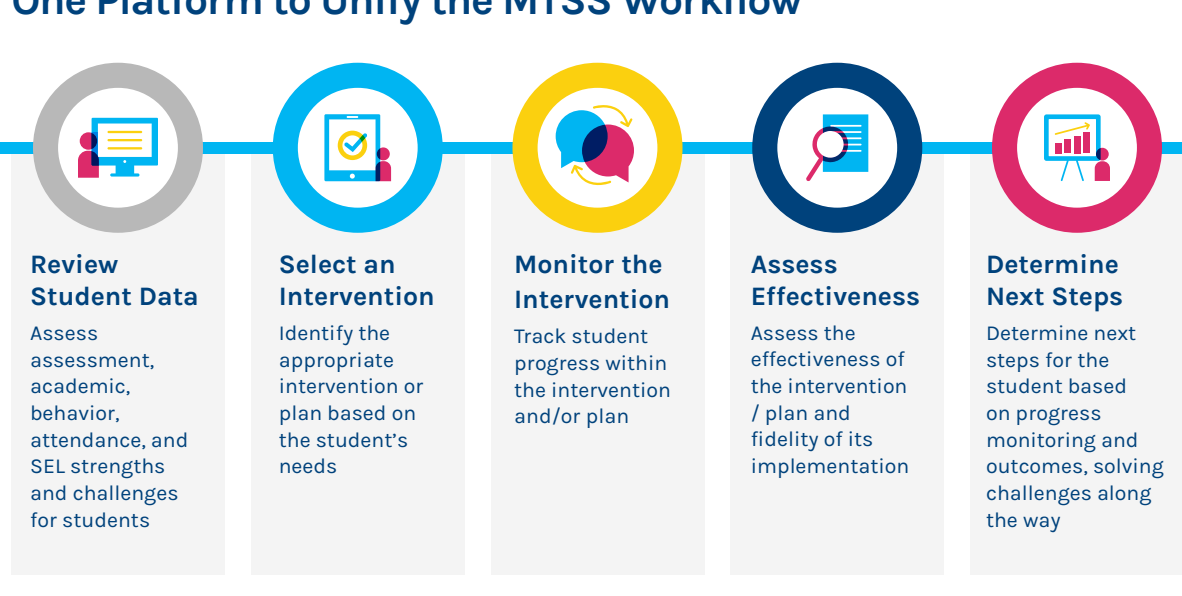


BRING MTSS DATA AND PROCESSES TOGETHER

- Challenge**
Educators often jump from system to system, spreadsheet to spreadsheet, and form to form to complete the entire MTSS process.
- Solution**
- Adopt integrated technology systems that bring coherence to your system and save educators time
 - Choose MTSS software that allows the entire workflow to be reviewed in one solution so you can review a holistic data set (academic, behavior, attendance, and SEL information)



One Platform to Unify the MTSS Workflow



Guide to Effective MTSS Interventions in K-12 Education

Download the eBook to get the complete report for best practices for overcoming common challenges and finding solutions for MTSS interventions that help students succeed.

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