

A Multi-Tiered System of Supports

## MTSS: Uses and Abuses

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• Rtl is the new child study process.

 Now that we have MTSS, we don't have to do Rtl anymore. MTSS is replacing Positive Behavior Support (PBS). There is no PBS anymore. MTSS is different than PBS. I can't do Rtl because I'm doing PBS. I can't do PBS because I'm busy doing Rtl.



- Rtl is only for kids who struggle, instead of for all students.
- Rtl wastes educator's time and delays support to students. Teachers "Rtl every student" and it just wastes their teaching time.



• Rtl is a separate initiative – rather than part of or integral to other initiatives. Rtl is "one more thing" educators have to do.

 The tiers describe places for students (tier 2 kids), as opposed to a way of organizing our resources. Kids "go through" tiers. Kids are "in" tiers. We have "Rtl groups."



• Students have to get through tier 1 and tier 2 before they get tier 3.

 We do not need tier 2 because we do not have any students who need that support, but we do have a lot of students who need tier 3 support.



• Tier 2 and tier 3 intervention supports are unrelated to what students learn in tier 1 and can replace tier 1 curriculum and instruction.



# WHAT MTSS MYTHS AND/OR ABUSES TO YOU WANT TO EXPLORE TODAY?

## District Action Planning and Problem-Solving Process - DAPPS

- Systematic, district-level process to remove barriers to facilitate implementation of district-wide initiatives (e.g., MTSS, Common Core)
- The Problem-Solving Process can lay foundation for addressing the myths/barriers that may be hindering successful implementation

### District Action Planning and Problem-Solving Process - DAPPS

- Currently in various stages of implementation in 6 districts statewide
- A new opportunity will take place in the next few weeks to request the DAPPS process for other districts