



*Essential Elements Tier I
MTSS Planning & Implementation Checklist*



Tier I INSTRUCTION

Purpose: Primary Prevention of Reading Failure

Goal: At least 80% of students reach grade level expectations through Tier 1, Universal Instruction alone.

	<i>Element</i>	<i>Next Steps/Notes</i>
1.	Students are given 90–120 minutes of reading instruction each day.	
2.	All students are included in the Tier 1 instruction.	
3.	Instruction follows an evidence–aligned scope and sequence that includes the five essential early literacy skills in a coherent, comprehensive reading program.	
4.	Evidence–aligned instructional routines are utilized to teach reading.	
5.	Teachers have access to evidence–aligned instructional materials.	
6.	Instruction is differentiated based on universal screening data.	
7.	Instruction is delivered in whole group and small group formats, based on student data.	
8.	Staff come to the classroom to support small group instruction during Tier 1.	
9.	Grade level teams use universal screening data in the collaborative problem solving–model to plan instruction.	