

## **Introducing Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Wilson County Schools believes in providing the highest quality of education for your child. This letter is to provide you with information about the three-tiered instructional approach we are using to meet this goal, referred to as Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS), which is now part of the federal educational law. MTSS is a multi-tiered framework which promotes school improvement through engaging, high quality instruction. MTSS employs a team approach to guide educational practices, using a problem-solving model based on data, to address needs and maximize growth for all. Tier I and II are executed by Professional Learning Community (PLC) teams, who are committed to your child's success. Tier III is implemented and monitored by the school-level Problem-Solving Team.

Your child will participate in the core curriculum, Tier I. Teachers and administration will use assessment data to help plan effective, evidence-based instruction. This information will help teachers individualize and differentiate instruction in academics and/or behavior.

- **Tier I** Teachers will use instructional strategies and track progress within the core curriculum to address your child's educational needs.
- **Tier II** If your child is not meeting grade level standards or is not excelling as expected, based on progress monitoring data, he/she will be provided supplemental evidence-based interventions matched to their needs. The PLC team will track the progress, and this information will be shared with you during parent conferences.
- **Tier III** If Tier II supports are unsuccessful; the Problem-Solving Team develops a more intensive intervention plan. As a valued member of this team, you will be invited to attend a meeting to provide feedback and assist in developing a plan for your child. After Tier III implementation, if your child continues to display limited progress, then he/she may be considered for further evaluation and services.

As always, do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or me if you have questions or concerns.

Principal