



RtI Description

WHAT IS RESONSE TO INTERVENTION SERVICES? Response to Intervention Services, also known to many as RtI, is an interdisciplinary team of professionals within the school environment who come together throughout the school year to formulate coordinated services and team delivery systems to address the full range of student learning, behavior, social, and health problems in the general education program as well as for students determined in need of special education programs and services. The goal of the committee is to see student improvement in targeted areas.

HOW IS A STUDENT REFERRED?

1. A problem is identified: A school staff member or parent needs assistance with their child's learning, behavior, social, or health problem that is occurring during the student's school program.
2. An RtI Referral Packet is completed: The RtI team only begins once a staff member completes and submits the referral packet. The form should state clearly the reasons for the referral, their observations, and all prior interventions tried for the identified area of concern.
3. The referral packet is reviewed by the RtI team.
4. Schedule the RtI meeting: The RtI coordinator schedules the meeting. The RtI team meets monthly.

WHAT ARE SOME BENEFITS TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER USING THE RTI COMMITTEE?

1. The team process increases the chance of accurate assessment of the issues and provides a large repertoire of strategies because the team is composed of educational professionals with diverse training, experience and backgrounds.
2. Many teachers come to the committee after trying multiple interventions to address the area of concern. Therefore, the team is responsible to think in new and creative ways to resolve both typical and atypical learning, behavior, social and health problems.
3. The action plans developed during an RtI meeting address the problem by identifying supports and strategies for both the teacher and the child to use.
4. The RtI process yields descriptive documentation to support whether a child may require additional services outside of general education programming.

Please review our brochure and *Frequently asked Questions about RtI* on our website under the "News & Resources" tab for more helpful information.