

What is AIS (Academic Intervention Service)?

- 🐾 AIS is a New York State mandated service available to all students who are currently not meeting grade level expectations.
- 🐾 Several guidelines are used to determine AIS eligibility for English Language Arts and Math.
- 🐾 The criteria used are based on data collected from ongoing assessments, as well as NYS test scores. *It is reasonable for a student to be scoring on grade level in their ELA or Math coursework, yet be receiving AIS services due to below grade level performance on diagnostic assessments.*
- 🐾 A 3-tiered model is used to provide students the level of support needed above and beyond the core instruction received by all students in the classroom.
- 🐾 Movement within the tiers is determined quarterly.

What do the tiers mean?

- 🐾 Tier I: Classroom teachers provide Tier I interventions and supports for all students approaching grade level expectations.
- 🐾 Tier II: AIS support staff provide Tier II interventions to students who are not meeting grade level benchmarks and for whom Tier I interventions are not supportive enough.
- 🐾 Tier III: AIS support staff provide Tier III interventions to students who are not making adequate progress at Tier II. Tier III interventions include smaller group size and intensive instruction specific to the student's highest area(s) of need.

How can you support your child(ren) at home?

(These tips have been adapted from Reading is Fundamental)

- 🐾 Invite your child to read with you every day.
- 🐾 Read your child's favorite book over and over again.
- 🐾 While reading, stop and ask about the pictures and what is happening in the story.
- 🐾 Let your child see you reading for pleasure in your spare time.

Who are the Edwards-Knox AIS support staff?

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