

Scarsdale Public Schools

Academic Intervention Services (AIS) Plan for 2019-2020

At the June 2017 meeting of the Board of Regents, the Board voted to amend Commissioner's Regulations § 100.2 regarding the [methodology by which school districts identify students in grades 3-8 to receive Academic Intervention Services \(AIS\)](#). These changes became effective on July 1, 2017.

For the 2019-2020 school year, districts shall continue to identify students to receive AIS through a two-step process. All students performing below the median scale score between a level 2/partially proficient and a Level 3/proficient on a grade 3-8 English language arts (ELA) or mathematics state assessment shall be considered for AIS. Upon identification of a student for consideration for AIS districts shall use a district-developed procedure, to be applied uniformly at each grade level, for determining which students shall receive AIS. After the district considers a student's scores on multiple measures of student performance, the district determines whether the student is required to receive AIS.

AIS Identification Procedure (Kindergarten-Fifth Grade):

- 1) Students who score below the median scale score between level 2 and level 3 (see NYSED provided charts - Appendix A) or are referred by their teacher or parent are reviewed by the school Child Study Team (CST).
- 2) The CST shall consider multiple points of data to determine the level of AIS support appropriate for a given student.

Data included in the review may include: State Assessments, Diagnostic Reading Assessment scores, STAR Assessment scores, F&P reading levels, Teachers College on-demand writing prompts, NYSESLAT scores, and teacher assessments

- 3) The CST will refer all students whose scores indicate the need for support to Tier 1 RTI and follow all the procedures outlined in the [RTI plan](#). For students whose scores on the state assessments are not indicative of a student's typical performance, the CST may indicate direct AIS services are not appropriate but, the student will be monitored for performance by the classroom teacher.
- 4) Parents will be informed of the school's AIS determination. Communication will include the rationale for the CSTs decision and the type of service being offered if applicable.

AIS Identification Procedure (Middle School-Grades 6-8)

- 1) Students who score below the median scale score between level 2 and level 3 (see the shaded column in NYSED provided chart - Appendix A) or are referred by their teacher or parent are reviewed by the Middle School AIS Team made up of the House Counselor and Core Academic Team
- 2) The AIS Team shall consider multiple points of data to determine the level of AIS support appropriate for a given student.

Data included in the review may include: State Assessments, common core academic assessments, NYSESLAT scores, and teacher assessments.

- 3) Parents will be informed of the school's AIS determination. Communication will include the rationale for the AIS Team's decision and the type of service being offered if applicable.

AIS Plan Development:

The AIS Team will determine an individual plan for each student: such a plan might include guidance counseling, teacher monitoring, attendance monitoring, study skill support or The Teacher Academic Support Program.

Academic Intervention Services (AIS)

Scarsdale High School

Academic Intervention Services (AIS) are instructional services in English language arts, mathematics, social studies and/or science, which supplement the instruction provided in regular classes and are congruent with the state learning standards, and/or student support services which include guidance, counseling, attendance supervision, and study skills development, which are needed to support increased academic performance. The AIS Program will provide remediation to address skill deficiencies as they affect learning in English, social studies, math and science and impact on a student's ability to successfully meet state designated performance levels, i. e., Regents exams. The Academic Intervention Services will be provided by qualified staff who are appropriately certified.

AIS Team Composition

Core members of the Pupil Study Team and Regents Support Teacher (Assistant Principal, Director of Guidance, Chairperson of Special Education, School Psychologists)

Implementation

Under the plan, the district will provide students with supplemental classroom instruction, counselor and teacher monitoring, and Regents exam support based on individual needs. The AIS intervention professional and/or counselor will coordinate instruction with the classroom teacher.

Identification and Referral

1. Students who score below the state designated performance level on one or more of the required state assessments in grade 8, or score below the state designated performance level on any of the state examinations required for graduation.
2. Students who fail a Regents required for graduation
3. Students at risk of not meeting graduation requirements
4. Students new to the district at risk of not meeting requirements for graduation
5. Students identified by deans through a checklist review of grade history, past placement decisions, and prior testing
6. Students recommended for intervention by regular classroom teachers using a standard checklist of academic concerns
7. Students identified by parents and confirmed by the AIS team through a review of grade history, standardized test results, and past and present classroom performance

AIS Plan

The teams will develop an individual plan for each student; such a plan might include guidance counseling, attendance monitoring, and study skills development, which are needed to support

increased academic performance. Academic intervention services must commence no later than the beginning of the semester following a determination that a student requires such services.

Communication

Parents will be notified of their child's performance on the NYS grade 8 assessments by the District Office. Information about AIS services, for rising 9th graders who did not meet the minimum standard on those assessments, will be included in that notification (*Point 1 under Identification and Referral*). Parents will be notified by the school counselor if a student has been referred for AIS services due to academic performance at the high school (*Points 2-6 under Identification and Referral*). This notification will be translated into the parent's native language when appropriate.

Implementation and Review

The AIS team and the student's counselor will create an AIS plan for a student, which will then be implemented by the designated educators at the high school. The AIS team and the student's counselor will review the AIS Plan for each identified student annually and revise as necessary based on the student's performance on state designed assessments.

Accommodations

Students identified for AIS intervention will receive appropriate accommodations on Regents examinations as allowable by the State Education Department.

Exit Criteria

Students will be released from the academic intervention process upon successful completion of the appropriate Regents examinations.

Academic Support Services to Meet AIS Requirements:

Students will receive supplemental instruction designed to assist them in meeting Regents standards.

Preparation/Remediation

1. Science

- Supplemental instruction for students in science 511/512 level courses designed to assist them in passing a science Regents.

2. Mathematics

- Supplemental instruction for students in Regents preparation in math 421/422 courses designed to assist students in passing the Sequential Math I Regents.

3. Social Studies

- Supplemental instruction for students in Social Studies 621/622 designed to assist them in meeting the Global Studies Regents requirement.

- Supplemental instruction for students in Social Studies 631/632 designed to assist them in meeting the U.S. History Regents requirement.

4. English

- Supplemental instruction in English courses designed to assist them in meeting the English Regents requirement.

Schedule of Assistance

2nd Semester Freshman Year, science supplementary instruction

1st Semester Sophomore Year, math supplementary instruction

2nd Semester Sophomore Year, Global Studies supplementary instruction

1st Semester Junior Year, English supplementary instruction

2nd Semester Junior Year, US History supplementary instruction

Appendix A

2019 Median Scale Scores Between Level 2 and Level 3

Academic Intervention Services (AIS)

Students who score below the median scale score between level 2 and level 3 (see shaded column in charts below) or referred by their teacher or parent are reviewed by the school Child Study Team (CST).

Grades 3-8 ELA Scale Score Ranges by Performance Level and Median Scale Score between Level 2 and Level 3

Grade	NYS Level 1	NYS Level 2	NYS Level 3	NYS Level 4	Median Scale Score between Level 2 and Level 3
3	530-582	583-601	602-628	629-655	592
4	532-583	584-602	603-618	619-654	593
5	509-593	594-608	609-621	622-661	601
6	514-589	590-601	602-613	614-657	596
7	511-590	591-606	607-622	623-654	599
8	507-583	584-602	603-616	617-651	593

Grades 3-8 Mathematics Scale Score Ranges by Performance Level and Median Scale Score between Level 2 and Level 3

Grade	NYS Level 1	NYS Level 2	NYS Level 3	NYS Level 4	Median Scale Score between Level 2 and Level 3
3	526-586	587-599	600-614	615-646	593
4	525-587	588-601	602-613	614-650	595
5	527-591	592-603	604-615	616-654	598
6	528-591	592-603	604-615	616-656	598
7	524-592	593-605	606-617	618-644	599
8	527-595	596-609	610-621	622-651	603