

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ACADEMIC INTERVENTION SERVICES (AIS) PLAN 2020 – 2021 School Year

I INTRODUCTION

Academic Intervention Services (AIS) means additional instruction and/or student support services which supplement the instruction provided in the general curriculum and assists students in meeting the state's Learning Standards for students in Grades 3 - 12. AIS is intended to assist students who are at risk of not achieving the state's learning standards in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies and Science, or who are at risk of not gaining the knowledge and skills needed to meet or exceed designated performance levels on State Assessments. AIS shall be made available to students with disabilities on the same basis as non-disabled students to the extent consistent with the student's individualized education program.

A Response to Intervention Approach/Multi-Tiered System of Support is used for students in Grades K – 5 to screen students and identify levels of academic support that are necessary for students requiring assistance in achieving the state's learning standards and proficiency in Reading and Math.

II ELIGIBILITY FOR ACADEMIC INTERVENTION SERVICES

Eligibility for AIS may be determined by State assessment results and students "at risk for not achieving proficiency" on state assessments. A correlation between students who are "at risk" and who have attendance, discipline and other "social/behavioral" needs would also be eligible for AIS.

- A. **State Assessments** – Students who score below the identified scaled score established by the New York State Education Department on the Grades 3 – 8 ELA and Math Assessments and/or Grades 4 & 8 Science Assessments are eligible for AIS services during the subsequent school year. (Identified ELA & Math scaled score cutoffs are determined annually via a NYSED Memo.)
 - B. **Regents Exams** – Students that achieve less than 65% on required ELA, Math, Social Studies, and Science Regents Examinations are eligible for AIS during the subsequent semester or school year.
 - C. **Local Procedure** - Students who are absent for all or part of a State Assessment/Regents Examination, and student-transfers from out-of-state or out-of-the-country will be eligible for AIS. Students who are recommended by teachers as being "at risk" based on academic deficiencies, attendance, behavior and attitude may also be eligible to receive AIS.
- *Due to COVID-19 and no administration of Regents Exams and State Assessments, and the lack of local diagnostic data due to building closures, students' eligibility will be determined based on teacher*

recommendation, end of the year achievement scores, classroom performance.

The following criteria will be used in determining eligibility:

1. **First Level of Screening**

Performance below the NYSED/SFCSD established standards on:

- Students that scores two or more grade levels below on iReady Reading and Math Assessments
- Students who were absent for all or part of a State Assessment
- Students that transfer to SFCSD from an out-of-state school
- ELL students not demonstrating achieving proficiency on NYS Assessments

2. **Second Level of Screening**

- Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA) Results
- Qualitative Reading Inventory (QRI) Results
- ELL: ISTLL & NYSESLAT
- Anecdotal Records
- Writing Portfolio Samples
- Report Card Grades
- Classroom Performance
- Recommendations by Teacher, Counselor, Principal, Parent
- Attendance Records
- Other (issues relevant to health, discipline, family, etc.)

3. **Possible Range of Academic Intervention** (*frequency & intensity of AIS based on achievement results and student's needs*)

- Remedial Supplemental Instruction (Title I Reading & Math Services, Social Studies and Science AIS Classes, Special Education 15:1 and Resource Room Classes, Regents Support Classes, etc.) * *Some or all options may be available dependent upon learning model*
- Academic Assistance Periods (Period 10 at MA & SFMS, After-School Assistance and Tutoring) * *Dependent upon learning model*
- Former ELL students (that achieved proficiency on state assessments) are required to receive at least two years of support services. This intervention may include:
 - A half unit of student of integrated ENL/ESL in ELA, Math, Science or Social Studies
and/or
 - With OBEFLS approval, other services that monitor and support each former ELL's language development and academic progress.
- Regents & Local Exam Preparation Classes at MA
- Summer School for MA & SFMS
- Summer Reading Program for ECS

4. **Possible Range of Support Services**

- Coordination of services, based on individual student's needs, may include counseling by the Guidance Counselor, Youth Counselors, School Psychologist, Health Officials relevant to attendance, discipline, family, transiency, poverty, and health problems

5. **Procedures for Parent Notification**

- Parents will receive notification from the building administrator of their child's qualification for academic intervention services.
- If, at some time, the teachers feel that AIS can be discontinued based on student achievement, parents will receive notification indicating that such a decision has been made.
- Parents who choose not to have their child receive AIS can sign a waiver indicating their decision.

6. **Student Progress Reports**

- Updates will be provided to parents via Interim Reports and Report Card comments.
 - Mynderse Academy (9 – 12) & Seneca Falls Middle School (6 – 8)
 - Progress Report and Report Card Comments:

Your child receives AIS academic assistance.

_____ *He/She attends when requested and is making satisfactory progress.*

_____ *He/She does not always attend when requested and/or is not making satisfactory progress.*

- Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School (3 – 5)
 - Progress Report and Report Card Comments:

Your child receives AIS academic assistance.

_____ *He/She is making satisfactory progress.*

_____ *He/She is not making satisfactory progress.*

III TIMELINE

AIS must start by the beginning of the semester or school year following determination that a student needs such services. However, AIS can be recommended and implemented at any time during the school year based on student achievement (based on levels of screening contained in this plan).

