

Writing Intervention Resources

The CSSS Project: Handwriting Interventions for all Tiers

www.specialeducation.ilstu.edu/csss/solutions/documents/handwriting.html

- Copying vs. Tracing
- Cover-Copy Compare
- Increased Opportunities for Responding
- Demonstration, Corrective Feedback and Praise
- Other Fine Motor Activities and Tips also Available

Interventions for Improving Writing Fluency for all Tiers

www.specialeducation.ilstu.edu/csss/solutions/documents/writingfluency.html

- Research and information on implementation of an integrated approach to writing fluency available.
- Techniques for uniform daily instructional framework for classroom writing instructions containing the following components: status-checking, mini-lesson, student writing, peer and teacher conferences, and group sharing or publishing.
- Written conversations
- Mind Mapping/Planning Strategies
- Mnemonic devices to help with organization of writing
- Additional writing activities, instruction and self-monitoring tips

Jim Wright: Intervention Central

www.interventioncentral.org

- Integrated Writing Instruction
- School-Wide Strategies for Managing Writing
- Various interventions that target all domains of the writing process across all tiers

Tier 1

The Access Center: Accessing Skills Toward Successful Writing Development

www.k8accesscenter.org/training_resources/successfulwritingdevelopment.asp

- Research and information on the complexity of the writing process, development of writing at each developmental stage, and writing and students with disabilities
- Instructional strategies, technology use, and assessment suggestions also provided.

Education World: Take 5 – Writing a Color Coded Paragraph

www.education-world.com/a_tsl/archives/04-1/lesson028.shtml

- Intervention aimed at helping with organization, writing paragraphs, and topic sentences.

Empowering Writers: Teacher's Corner

www.empoweringwriters.com/scope-sequence.html

- Information available about the scope and sequence of writing and students experiences with writing for grades K-8.
- A variety of different interventions, activities and school wide strategies for managing writing including: mnemonics, fluency, self-monitoring, motivation, organization, proofreading, and spelling.

- Techniques and description of the Student Anchor Set intervention that builds on students' personal experiences.

Tier 2

Great Schools: Dysgraphia – Learning Disabilities in Writing

www.schwablearning.org/print_resources.asp?type=article&r=759%20&popref=http

- Information, resources, strategies to help instruction and techniques to help students write with dysgraphia.

Programs

- **Write: OutLoud.** A multi-tiered intervention program to provide flexible writing support. www.donjohnson.com/products/write_outloud/wol_for_rti.html
- **Writing Better.** Effective strategies for teaching students with learning difficulties for students in tier 2/tier 3. www.brookespublishing.com/store/books/graham-7047/index.htm
- **Inspiration/Kidspiration.** The visual way to explore and understand words, numbers and concepts including word recognitions, vocabulary, comprehension and written expression for all levels. www.inspiration.com/productinfo/kidspiration/index.cfm
- **Step Up to Writing.** Features research-based validated strategies and activities that help students proficiently write narrative, personal narrative and expository pieces across all tiers and grade levels. <http://store.cambiumlearning.com/ProgramPage.aspx?parentId=019005278&functionID=009000008&site=sw>

Assessments

Curriculum Based Measurement: Writing Fluency

www.interventioncentral.com

- Curriculum Based Measurement (CBM) creating probes, administration and scoring of probes, graphing results and interpretation and interventions based on scores for all tier levels.

TOWL-3: Test of Written Language, Third Edition.

www.ags.pearsonassessments.com/group.asp?nGroupInfoID=a19045

A measure of written language skills and is a standardized measure to document the presence of weaknesses in this area of literacy for tier 3 assessments.

Rubrics

- Northwest Regional Education Laboratory: 6+1 Trait Writing. Rubrics for scoring ideas, organization, voice, word choice, sentence fluency, conventions, and presentation.
- Write Reflections. A variety of rubrics, story maps and editing sheets for writing available. www.writereflections4u.com
- Reading Response Journal Rubric. www.edu.yorku.ca/~greg_collins/r rubric.htm

- Performance Task Rubrics. Rubrics for informational pieces, newspaper articles and responding and analyzing information from literature.
www.bcps.org/offices/lis/models/tips/rubrics_elem/writ_inform_rule.html
www.bcps.org/offices/lis/models/tips/rubrics_elem/anly_info.html
www.bcps.org/offices/lis/models/tips/rubrics_elem/newspaper.html

Parent Resources

U.S. Department of Education Office of Educational Research and Improvement: Help Your Child Learn to Write Well.

www.ed.gov/pubs/parents/writing/index.html

- Information, activities and suggestions to help parents help their children learn to write and pointers to support writing throughout schooling.

Parent Tool Kit: Writing Strategies

www.allkindsofminds.org/ptk/writingStrategies.aspx

- Tips on home school collaboration, communication with teachers, talking with children about their strengths and weaknesses and strategies in writing.

Great Schools: Seven Sparkling Was to Encourage Kids Writing

www.scwablearning.org/print_resources.asp?type=article&r=615&popref=http3%

- Provides parents with a selection of activities to encourage kids writing at home.