

# Hawai'i Multi-Tiered System of Support (HMTSS)

## The Role of Parents and Family

HMTSS is a framework that Hawai'i schools use to provide instruction and support to ALL students and address obstacles to learning before they affect student outcomes. Parents are equal partners in every step of the support system.



## Key Components of HMTSS

### Tier 3

Individualized & intensive intervention

1

**Multiple tiers of instruction** that are progressively more intense based on the student's response to instruction

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**Universal screening** in the fall, winter and spring to find students who may need more than Tier 1 supports

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**Progress monitoring** - short but regular assessments to see that a student meets his or her goals

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The use of **evidence-based practices** that have been proven to meet the student's particular need for academic, behavioral, emotional or physical support

### Tier 2

Small group targeted intervention

Core instruction to all students along with a positive school culture and climate

Academic • Behavioral •  
Social-Emotional • Physical

## How Families Partner in HMTSS

- Talk regularly with your child's teacher(s) and ask for the results of screening and progress monitoring.
- Ask what interventions are being used to address your child's academic, behavioral, social-emotional and/or physical needs.
- Use the same strategies or interventions at home whenever possible.
- Request that the school provide a comprehensive evaluation for special education, if you suspect an underlying disability that is affecting your child's learning and/or behavior.

