5 KEYS TO EFFECTIVE HIGH-DOSAGE TUTORING

FREQUENCY: 30-Minute Sessions 3 Times A Week
Tutoring is most likely to be effective when delivered at least three times per week for at least 30 minutes per session. A consistent tutor helps build the relationship that supports student learning.

GROUP SIZE: No More Than 4
Tutors can effectively instruct up to four students at a time, but these higher ratios require a greater level of tutor skill. If using novice tutors, keeping group size to 1:1 or 1:2 is ideal.

SCHEDULING: During The School Day
Tutoring interventions that are conducted during the school day tend to result in greater learning gains than those that are after-school or during the summer. This also ensures equitable access for all students.

TRAINING: Preparation For Teachers And Non-Teachers
Current teachers who are serving as tutors will need training on expectations, routines, and progress monitoring. Tutors who are non-educators should receive robust training on content, instructional strategies, and relationship-building.

PROGRESS MONITORING: Data For Tailored Instruction
Tutoring programs that utilize ongoing informal assessments allow tutors to more effectively tailor their instruction. Regularly monitor the tutoring program to examine what is working, what needs adjustment, and what changes should be implemented to improve effectiveness.

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