

Why Is Fidelity Important?



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- Ensures that instruction has been implemented as intended
- Helps link student outcomes to instruction
- Helps in the determination of intervention effectiveness, and in instructional decision making
- Research suggests that positive student outcomes depend on:
 - The degree to which interventions are supported by evidence
 - Fidelity of implementation of process (at the school level)
 - Fidelity of intervention implementation (at the teacher/classroom level)

(Pierangelo & Giuliani, 2008)