Hierarchical Essential Features of Tier 3

1. **Prioritized for 3-5% of the student population identified as most at-risk.**
2. **Interventions are individualized and adapted** to address the student’s data-based needs.
3. **Interventions are more intensive** than Tier 2 by using the taxonomy of intervention intensity.
4. **Provided by adequately trained staff** with applicable background.
5. **Group size is optimal** and based on age and needs of students.
6. **Aligned** with Tier 1 on a case-by-case basis.
7. **Ongoing family communication** and engagement.
8. **Progress monitoring occurs weekly** followed by regular teaming.

**Resources:**
- National Center on Intensive Intervention
- PROGRESS Center
- What is Data-Based Individualization?
- NCII Tools Chart
- Institute for Education Sciences Practice Guide
- Measuring fidelity

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