

# Improving the Quality of Tutoring

## NSSA Tutoring Program Design Badge

### What is the Tutoring Quality Improvement System?

#### Overview of Our Approach

The Tutoring Quality Improvement System (TQIS) is a comprehensive framework developed by the National Student Support Accelerator (NSSA) of Stanford University to assess and enhance the quality of tutoring programs. The TQIS is built upon research-based standards that define the characteristics and activities of high-quality tutoring programs. Our ultimate shared goal is to ensure all students in need have access to the most effective research-backed support in their learning journeys.



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#### What is the Badging Process?

The TQIS includes a free Badging Process, a way to recognize tutoring programs for their commitment to design their programs around research-backed characteristics. Through the Badging Process, tutoring programs are awarded a Badge that publicly displays their model's adherence to research-based practices and effectiveness. While implementation of a tutoring provider is not evaluated in the Badging Process, reviews the set up of the tutoring provider's program set-up by analyzing documents concerning tutors, data use, instruction, school integration, and cohesion.

#### Benefits:

- 1 Stand Out:** In an oversaturated market, the Badge is a way for research-aligned tutoring programs to stand out with their quality program design.
- 2 Research-based Feedback:** The Badging process will provide a priority list of evidence-backed improvement strategies to implement.
- 3 Quick and Free:** The Badge is completely free and the Self-Assessment only takes 15-20 minutes to complete.

### Badging Process

