



Office of Accountability 2010-2011

Free Tutoring Services Supplemental Educational Services (SES)

OFFICIAL REQUEST FORM
To Choose A Tutoring Agency For Your Child
PLEASE OPEN AT ONCE
Final Deadline: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2010

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child's school — and every school in the Boston Public Schools — is committed to high achievement for all students. Our number one goal is to provide the support necessary to ensure that each student has many opportunities to improve his or her academic skills.

With this goal in mind, we reach out to inform you that your child may be eligible for extra academic assistance under NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND, the federal education law.

We hope all eligible students and their families will take advantage of this educational opportunity.

All children at your child's school who qualify for free or reduced lunch are eligible to receive Free Tutoring. The tutoring is academic assistance that can take place before school, after school, or during the summer. This assistance is provided by state-approved providers.

We are giving you this notice to help you understand how tutors can help your child and what you must do to take advantage of their services. There is no obligation to enroll your child in the free tutoring program, but we strongly encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

With Free Tutoring, You Get to Choose!

You will be able to choose among different tutoring services offered by different providers at different locations. That way, you can decide what is best for your child.

Best wishes for a successful school year.

Carol R. Johnson
Superintendent

**Please fill out and return a registration form to your child's school by
Friday, October 8, 2010.**

TUTORING SERVICE PROVIDERS	PROGRAM AREAS	GRADES SERVED	TUTORING LOCATION	FOREIGN LANGUAGES SERVED
ACHIEVE HIGH POINTS, INC. Contact: Darcy Asher, Devina Singh Phone: 1-877-737-6252	Math	3-12	On-Line Tutoring	Spanish
ACHIEVE TUTORING Contact: John Kupris Phone: 617-818-7284	Reading, Writing, Math	K-12	Home & 47 Winter Street, Boston, MA	Spanish, Portuguese
ALLIANCE FOR INCLUSION AND PREVENTION Contact: Robert Kilkenny, Meg Smith Phone: (617) 469-0074	Reading, Writing, Math	6, 7, 8	Irving Middle School, Frederick Pilot Middle School	None currently
AMERICA SCORES (New England) Contact: Richard Sheward Phone: (617) 265-0066 xt.159	Reading, Writing, Math	3,4,5	Student's School	Call for details
ANN'S CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER Contact: Denise Jeter Phone: (617) 287-2332	Reading, Writing, Math	K-8	business, School, Community Center, Place of worship	Call for details
BELL-BUILDING EDUCATED LEADERS FOR LIFE Contact: Pam Alden Phone: (617) 282-1567, xt.134	Reading, Writing, Math	K2-5	Holland, Kenny, Mather, Mattahunt, Tobin, Trotter	Call for details
BOSTON LEARNING CENTER Contact: Peter Terry Phone: (617) 265-7170 xt. 302	Reading, Writing, Math	K-12	208 Ashmont Street, Dorchester, MA 02124, Student's home,	Spanish, Haitian Creole, Cape Verdean Creole, Cantonese, Mandarin
BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS Contact: Maureen Harris Phone: (617) 635-9414	Reading, Writing, Math	K-12	Student's School	Vietnamese, Haitian Creole, Spanish, Cape Verdean Creole, Chinese, Portuguese, Somali
BRAINFUSE ONE TO ONE TUTORING Contact: Alex Sztuden Phone: (866) 272-4638	Reading, Writing, Math	3-12	On-Line Tutoring	Spanish
C&M EDUCATIONAL CONNECTIONS AND CONSULTING Contact: Paula Nelson Phone: (617) 282-9700	Reading, Writing, Math	K-10	School, Home, Business, Community sites, Internet	Cape Verdean, Chinese, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Spanish, Somali, Vietnamese
CATAPULT LEARNING Contact: Katie Santos Phone: (401) 316-7921	Reading, Math	K-8	Student's School	All Languages
CITIZEN SCHOOLS Contact: Aimee Demora Phone: (617) 695-2300	Writing, Math	5-8	Edison Middle School, Edwards Middle School, Gavin Middle School,	Call for details
CLUB Z! IN HOME TUTORING SERVICES Contact: Stephanie Mitchell Phone: (888) 434-2582	Reading, Math	K-12	School, Home, Internet, other	Spanish and others upon request
EDUCATE ONLINE Contact: Fern Holland Phone: 843-798-0180	Reading, Math	3-12	School, Home, Internet, Other	Call for details
GENERATIONS INCORPORATED Contact: Julie Sittler Phone: (617) 423-5545	Reading	K-4	Community Centers, Boys & Girls Clubs including South Boston, Blue Hill	Call for details
GREENWOOD SHALOM OUTREACH COMMUNITY, INC. Contact: Tanna Preston Phone: (617) 282-1464	Reading, Writing, Math	K-10	378A Washington Street, Dorchester, MA 02124	Spanish, Haitian Creole
LEARN-IT SYSTEMS Contact: Deborah Picard Phone: 617-822-0028	Reading, Math	K-8	School, Community sites	Spanish, English, Haitian Creole
PINNACLE LEARNING CENTER Contact: Steven Shapiro Phone: (781) 828-2800	Reading, Writing, Math	K-12	School, Place of Worship, Community Center, Other	Spanish, Chinese, Portuguese, French, Creole, Japanese.
PREFERRED TUTORING SERVICES Contact: Denise Watson 973-337-2111 Phone:	Reading, Writing, Math	K-8	Student's School	Spanish, Portuguese, Turkish
SMARTIES TUTORING Contact: Isaak Aronson Phone: 617-861-8318	Reading, Writing, Math	K-8	School, Place of Worship, Community Center, Other	Spanish
SYLVAN LEARNING CENTER Contact: Erica Adametz 617-264-4150 Phone:	Reading, Math	K-12	1626 Beacon Street, Brookline	Call for details
TENACITY, INC. Contact: Gary Phillips Phone: (617) 562-0900	Reading	6,7,8	Jackson Warrin, Edison, Washington Irving, Lila G. Frederic,	Spanish
THE ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY Contact: Theodora Darlington Phone: 1-866-808-2036	Reading, Writing, Math	K-12	School, Community Centers, Other	Call for details
THE YMCA OF GREATER BOSTON Contact: Joanne Russo Phone: (617) 927-8250	Reading, Writing, Math	K-5	School, Roxbury YMCA, Dorchester YMCA, Huntington	Call for details

2009-2010
Tutoring Provider Sheet

SPECIAL NEEDS SERVED	TUTORING HOURS PER WEEK	TUTORING HOURS PER YEAR	DAYS OF OPERATION	TUTORING FORMAT
Call for details	4 hours	30-35 hours	Mon-Sun	One-to-one Online
Dyslexia, Autism	2 hours	29 hours	Mon-Sat	One-to One home / Small Group
Learning and emotional disabilities	4 hours	46 hours	Mon-Sat	Group
Call for details	3 hours	60 hours	Mon-Fri	Group
Mild to moderate learning disabilities	2-3 hours	31-Individual / 41-Group	Mon-Sat	One-to-one / Group
Call for details	8 hours	51 hours	Mon-Fri	Group
Mild to moderate learning disabilities	2-3 hours	40 hours	Call for details	One-to-one/ Group
All special needs served	4 hours	60 hours	Mon-Thu	Group
Call for details	2-3 hours	40 hours	Mon-Sun	One-to-one On- line
All special needs served	2-4 hours	37 hours	Mon-Sun	One-to-one / Group
Call for details	4 hours	35 hours	Mon-Thu	Group
Call for details	10-12 hours	72 hours	Mon-Thu	Group
Autism, Communication delay, Developmental delay, Intellectual, Sensory, Neurological, Emotional and others upon request	2-4 hours	40 hours	Mon-Sun	One-to-one / Group
Call for details	2-4 hours	36 hours	Mon-Sun	One-to-one, On-line
None currently	2-4 hours	40 hours	Mon-Thu	One-to-one
ADD, ADHD, Asperger's and language based disability	2-4 hours	77 hours	Mon-Thu	One-to-one / Group
ADD, ADHD	3 hours	45 hours	Mon-Sat	Group
ADD, ADHD, Asperger's, Non-verbal learning disability, Short-term memory loss	3-5 hours	38-One-to-one 66-Small Group	Mon-Sun	One-to-one / Group
ADD, Dyslexia, ADHD,	4.5 hours	45 hours	Mon-Fri	Small Group / One to one
ADD, ADHD, Asperger's, Visually impaired	3-6 hours	60 hours	Mon-Sat	Small Group
Call for details	2-6 hours	25 hours	Mon-Sat	Small Group / One to one
Call for details	4-5 hours	60 hours	Mon-Thu	One-to-one / Group
Call for details	2-6 hours	40+ hours	Mon-Sat	Small Group / One to one
Call for details	4 hours	80 hours	Mon-Fri	Group

ACHIEVE HIGH POINTS

Online MATH tutoring program for grades 3-12 aligned to Massachusetts state standards. Achieve HighPoints helps students reach grade level proficiency and achieve higher state test scores. Available from home 7 days a week using the FREE laptop provided for program use, our platform provides students with the flexibility to learn on their own schedule. No fighting Boston weather or traffic. Students work at their own pace as they complete the expected 3-4 hours of tutoring per week. Proven track record: 82.5% of students who complete program improve math grade in school. (Source: 2009 Independent Study by the University of Georgia). Finish the 30-35 hour program and see an average 15 point increase in test scores.

ACHIEVE TUTORING

Achieve delivers the individualized instruction students need to reach their highest potential. We develop an individual program for each student, aligned with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks, in order to advance the student one grade level, after intense interventions. We specialize in working with all students, including those with disabilities and English language learners. Our goal is to accelerate the academic achievement of all students, including: at-risk, unmotivated, and disengaged students. Our Saturday morning sessions are designed for the disengaged learner - helping them to become proactive learners who achieve academic success. We offer in-home tutoring. We also offer group instruction in our centrally located classrooms at 47 Winter Street, Boston (Downtown Crossing and Park Station). Achieve has an experienced staff of instructors for students K-12.

ALLIANCE FOR INCLUSION AND PREVENTION

Alliance for Inclusion and Prevention (AIP) has partnered with the Boston Public Schools for the past 15 years to promote school success and help to close the achievement gap through high quality out-of-school time academic and enrichment activities. AIP fosters student achievement through one-on-one and small group tutoring after school in Reading, Writing and Math. AIP's SES program operates in two Boston Public Schools: Washington Irving Middle School and Lilla G. Frederick Pilot Middle School.

AMERICA SCORES (New England)

America SCORES New England uses the unique combination of soccer, writing, creative expression, and service-learning to teach literacy skills and math in the Boston Public Schools. The research-based "Power of Poetry" and "Writing for the Community" curricula offer a balance of creative writing, structured lessons in poetic forms, expository writing, and research. SCORES also uses the ETA/Cuisenaire After School Math program that is aligned with state and local standards. SCORES seeks to serve the whole child with a balanced offering of literacy support, math and character building. SCORES students attend after school programs for a minimum of ten hours per month throughout the school year. Services are delivered by Boston Public School teachers. Parents will receive periodic progress reports and our staff is available to meet to discuss student progress.

ANN'S CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER

Ann's Christian Learning Center (ACLC) is a faith-based, one on one tutoring center. Their highly qualified teaching staff provides tutoring for students in grades 2-8. Students are encouraged through parental involvement, their own participation in the development of tangible learning goals, and by the incentives we provide through our motivational program. We reward students for doing well on tests administered at our Center and their school, improving grades, completing homework accurately, and having a good attitude.

BELL-BUILDING EDUCATED LEADERS FOR LIFE

The mission of BELL (Building Educated Leaders for Life) is to increase the educational achievements and life opportunities of children living in low-income communities. BELL's after-school program provides small-group, hands-on literacy tutoring and math homework assistance Monday through Thursday at several Boston Public elementary schools, along with cultural activities, field trips and community service projects on Fridays.

BOSTON LEARNING CENTER

At no cost to you, Boston Learning Center can provide tutoring at your child's school or in your home for students in grades K-12. They also offer a motivational program called BIFF for teenagers in grades 6-12. BIFF has a college acceptance rate of over 90% of its alumni, and turns failure into academic success. For the past twenty years, they have served over 3,000 kids in the community with excellent results. Their program includes an individualized curriculum designed to meet the needs of each student.

BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Boston Public Schools' (BPS) program provides 60 hours of small group instruction in reading, writing and math by highly qualified Boston Public Schools teachers. The tutoring takes place at BPS schools identified as SES eligible and occurs either before or after school. Special materials have been selected to address the unique learning needs of the students. Teachers assess each student at the beginning of the program and use that information to inform their instruction. Parents meet with teachers three times during the year to discuss their child's progress.

BRAINFUSE ONE -TO-ONE TUTORING

With Brainfuse, students and tutors communicate in real-time using an online classroom. Brainfuse is available from any computer with internet access. The tutors are experienced educators who undergo a rigorous certification process, including background and reference checks as well as multiple interviews, skills testing, and extensive training. Progress reports are regularly provided (in the parent's native language at the parent's request).

C&M EDUCATIONAL CONNECTIONS/T.H.R.I.V.E

C & M Educational Connections and Consulting (CMECC) is a tutoring and supportive services organization established in 2006 by a former teacher and educator of the Boston Public Schools District, who recognized the need for a research-based after school program for students struggling with reading, writing and math skills. CMECC's educational approach supports the whole child model for learning and is skilled in working with an array of student learners and their families. We offer a year-round tutorial-based curriculum

providing tutoring for remediation and enrichment in reading, ELA, Phonemic Awareness and math to Grades 1-6 students in a user-friendly and efficient way. We offer private sessions in the comfort of your own home, at local community sites, schools or the Center; tailored to meet the individual needs of each student.

CATAPULT LEARNING

Catapult Learning provides intensive small group tutoring in Math or Reading. Our programs help students earn better grades, build confidence, and increase self-esteem. Expectations for student behavior and participation are clear and consistent. Students are enthusiastically focused on the lesson and engaged in activities designed to increase student achievement. Our trained teachers have a professional appearance and a welcoming, positive, enthusiastic attitude.

Catapult Learning will provide students in Boston with:

- Qualified, experienced, and dedicated Teachers
- Small group instruction with a maximum of 10 students per teacher
- Two to four 90-120 minute sessions per week
- Convenient delivery at your students' school
- Afterschool
- Pre and Post Assessment
- Individual Student Learning Plans to fit the individual needs of students
- Parents and Administrators updated regularly with student progress

CITIZEN SCHOOLS

The Citizen Schools after-school program helps students 1) build important math and writing skills, 2) develop positive values and leadership abilities, 3) prepare for high school and college success, and 4) gain exposure to careers and mentors from a variety of professions. Under the guidance of a professionally trained staff, students "apprentice" with talented volunteers from diverse fields, including, architecture, business, journalism, law, and technology. Students practice academic skills and make the connection between what they learn in school and career success as they complete real-world apprenticeship projects, such as preparing and arguing a mock trial, writing and publishing a newspaper, redesigning subway stations, creating web pages, and more. Our talented staff also supports homework completion and connects regularly with classroom teachers.

CLUB Z! IN-HOME TUTORING SERVICES

Club Z! In-Home Tutoring Services provides individual, one-on-one tutoring in the security of the student's home, at times convenient to parents. Club Z! tutors are either state certified public and private school teachers or degreed professionals with expertise and tutoring experience in the their subject area. Club Z! matches tutors to students based on individual academic needs and personality. Tutors' teaching styles are highly individualized and tailored specifically to the student.

EDUCATE ONLINE

Educate Online offers live, individualized, at home tutoring through its easy-to-use online classroom. The Educate Online experience mirrors instruction that takes place while sitting together in the same room and yet students tend to be more open and willing to participate given the privacy and safety provided by the online classroom. Students access the program on a FREE personal computer provided by Educate Online. Students earn the right to keep their computer by completing the full program (as determined by district/provider agreements). Parents choose their child's schedule which generally includes 2-4, 60-minute sessions per week. Educate Online is appropriate for most students in grades 3-12. Educate Online's research based program uses individualized instruction and mastery learning techniques to improve students' reading or math skills.

GENERATIONS INCORPORATED

Generations Incorporated provides one on one literacy tutoring to K-4th grade students in Boston Public Schools. We provide services at multiple locations in the Greater Boston area. To learn more about the organization, visit www.generationsinc.org. Tutors meet one-on-one with each student two or three times a week for 40 minutes using our Reading Coaches model. Our tutors are trained older community residents who care about children's literacy. We measure the Reading Coaches program impact using the Basic Reading Inventory (BRI), which is administered three times a year. Students in our program improve their literacy skills twice as much as they would otherwise.

Tutoring Service Locations: Student's School, Community Center, or After School Sites (including South Boston, Blue Hill, and Yawkey Boys and Girls Clubs and St. Stephens After-School Program)

GREENWOOD SHALOM OUTREACH

The Greenwood Shalom Outreach Community (GSOC) is a seven year old organization that provides a variety of educational and supportive services to at-risk youth. GSOC's SES program will provide tutoring in reading, ELA and math via computer-assisted instruction and direct one-on-one and small group instruction. GSOC has been effective in improving academic outcomes for at-risk students, as measured by pre-and post- Woodcock-Johnson assessments and other measures. Since GSOC began administering these assessments in 2003, all students tutored by GSOC improved by at least .5 grade levels after three-to-six months, and some improved by as much as 3.5 grade levels.

LEARN-IT SYSTEMS

Learn-It Systems delivers small group instruction after school, delivered by trained, state certified instructors with a minimum of 2 years classroom experience. Students enrolled in the program are grouped initially by grade level for the administration of a pre-assessment specially developed to mimic, in short form, the Massachusetts state assessment. The results of the pre-assessment inform an individualized learning plan for each student. Students with similar instructional needs are placed together in small learning communities (groups) to provide opportunity for maximum growth, peer-learning, and focused group and individual attention. Learn-It Systems programs produce results. Learn-It has helped thousands of students nationwide to learn the fundamental reading and math skills they need to succeed in school and in life.

PINNACLE LEARNING CENTER

Pinnacle Learning is a locally owned and operated provider of private, one on one tutoring services in reading, writing and math. Pinnacle tutors come to you - anywhere in Boston! Our tutors will visit your child at your home, your child's school, or your local community center. Pinnacle's programs are designed to help students achieve and go beyond Massachusetts learning standards. Our highly experienced, MA certified teachers are trained to use the most current materials and teaching techniques to help students achieve growth. Our program includes an initial parent/guardian consultation, diagnostic testing, strong communication with classroom teachers and an individualized curriculum designed to maximize each student's performance. Our teachers know the proper way to motivate your child to succeed in school and beyond!

PREFERRED TUTORING SERVICES

Preferred Tutoring Services, LLC provides high quality SES services to students in grades K through 8th in a small group setting. Preferred Tutoring Services made substantial contributions to the achievement of students who have lagged behind in Language Arts, Reading and Mathematics. The number of students in our groups never exceeds five. After the diagnostic tests, we form groups of students who are performing at the similar grade level and have same learning needs. The small group environment gives the teacher the opportunity to focus on each student's needs.

SMARTIES TUTORING SERVICES

Smarties Tutoring Services has tutored over 2500 students in English Language Arts and Math using a program comprised of engaging small-group tutoring and an individualized, dynamic online curriculum. Our program is extremely successful. Four out of five students improve their test scores by over 10% and more than half increase by over 25%. Our programs meet 2-4 days/week for 1.5-2 hours. Our classes are taught by experienced teachers who are enthusiastic about helping children improve their math and literacy skills. We make every effort to challenge and motivate students to maximize their potential. Smarties recognizes that each child is unique, and we strive to meet the specific needs of each of our students. We foster success by expecting rigorous work, while supporting students as they strive to meet our expectations.

SYLVAN LEARNING CENTER

The Sylvan Learning approach to improving academic achievement is based on delivering an initial assessment that identifies a student's skill strengths and weaknesses. Based on the student's needs, an individualized plan is developed and delivered using personalized instruction and student motivation, which allows for targeted educational assistance to students where they need it most. Using the Sylvan Learning curriculum and methodology, our trained and qualified teachers guide each student through his or her own personalized plan. Throughout the program, parents receive updates regarding their child's progress. Sylvan Learning also views each student's schoolteacher and district as critical partners in the educational process and communicates with them as well.

Sylvan Learning is the nation's leading provider of supplemental education services and our programs have been delivering results for over 30 years.

TENACITY, INC.

Tenacity is a successful youth development organization in Boston that seeks "to improve the scholastic, character, and physical development of urban youth through a combination of academic support and tennis instruction/competition with a focus on life-skills." Tenacity's After-School Excellence Program (ASEP) works in close partnership with six Boston Public Schools to deliver an intensive three-year program designed for "at-risk" middle school students. ASEP integrates reading/literacy support, life skills development and tennis/physical fitness activities in a structured environment. ASEP students attend three afternoons per week for 30 weeks, each of their sixth, seventh and eighth grade school years, for a total of 290 hours each school year, and 90 hours each summer.

THE ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY

The Achievement Academy delivers face-to-face tutoring to students in a small group and targets each student's academic weaknesses to ensure that they are receiving instruction where they need it most. Teachers work directly with your child and communicate with you on your child's progress throughout the program. Our pre-test and post-tests track every student's academic growth throughout the program. We also use field trips and guest speakers to connect the skills they are learning to their real life application. Our caring, highly-trained teachers are committed to improving your child's grades and self-esteem

THE YMCA OF GREATER BOSTON

The YMCA of Greater Boston SES programming provides tutoring in English Language Arts and Mathematics. Outcomes for students include key skills such as fluency, comprehension, organizational writing, and vocabulary enhancement. In math students expand on skills in operations, finding patterns, fractions, and word problems. Instruction is geared toward personal progress within each youth's individualized learning plan and goals outlined in that plan.

Wherever possible, school-day teachers are tutors of SES for the YMCA. Their background, knowledge, and expertise translate to a quality, relevant program promoting the progress of enrolled students. Groups of six to ten students learn together in enthusiastic environments. Youth engage in hands-on activities that promote confidence while developing cognitive skills. Read-alouds, writing prompts, "real-life" math, and challenging "problems" are among activities that keep students focused on learning.

(Call contacts to make arrangements for tutoring and for details on days and hours of service)

Additional information about our tutors can be found on the Massachusetts Department of Education's website:
<http://www.doe.mass.edu/ses/>

Questions & Answers About SES Free Tutoring

What is the SES tutoring program?

Supplemental Education Services (SES) is a program funded by the federal government as part of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) law that provides free tutoring to students who are eligible for free or reduced lunch at selected schools. Tutoring is offered to eligible students outside of the traditional school day by a variety of providers. The programs are designed to help improve students' skills in reading, writing and mathematics.

How do I know if I qualify for SES tutoring?

You qualify, if :

1. Your child is enrolled in a public school in Massachusetts that has been designated as eligible for SES tutoring, based on its performance results; AND
2. Your child is eligible for free or reduced lunch; AND
3. You turned in your child's free and reduced lunch application form to his or her school.

Families who meet all three of these requirements are eligible to register for SES tutoring. Please note that due to limited funding, not all eligible students will receive SES tutoring.

When and where can I register for the SES tutoring program?

Registration forms will be available at your child's school and at various distribution sites around Boston during our enrollment period (September 7 – October 8, 2010), including:

East Zone Family Resource Center F.R.C.

Campbell Resource Center
1216 Dorchester Avenue
Dorchester, MA 02124
617-635-8015
Monday - Friday: 8:30 AM - 5 PM

Family & Student Engagement Training Center

443 Warren Street
Dorchester, MA 02124
617-635-7750
Mon & Wed: 8:30 AM- 7:30 PM
Tues, Thur & Fri: 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

North Zone F.R.C.

Madison Park Complex
55 Malcolm X Boulevard
Roxbury, MA 02118
617-635-9010
Monday - Friday: 8:30 AM – 5 PM

West Zone F.R.C.

Barron Building
515 Hyde Park Avenue
Roslindale, MA 02131
617-635-7719
Monday - Friday: 8:30 AM - 5 PM

East Boston Satellite F.R.C.

Umana Middle School Academy
312 Border Street
617-635-9597
East Boston, MA 02128
Thursdays, 8:30 AM – 5 PM

Allston/Brighton Satellite F.R.C.

Jackson/Mann K-8
40 Armington Street
Allston, MA 02134
617-635-8532, ext. 222
Tuesdays: 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Who provides the free SES tutoring?

During the registration process, eligible families may select from a list of providers approved by the State. Providers offer tutoring services in various subject areas and to students in various grade levels. See the list of providers for details. Please note that tutoring services may be provided at your child's school or at another location.

What questions should I consider when selecting a tutoring program provider?

- What is my child's area of academic need (math, reading, and/or writing)?
- On which days of the week is the program offered?
- When does the program begin and end each day?
- When will the program begin in the fall? When will the program end next spring?
- Will my child receive one-on-one instruction or be placed in a small group for instruction?
- Who will be instructing my child? What are the qualifications of the staff?
- Where will the services be provided? How will my child get to the location? (Remember, transportation is not provided.)
- How will the provider address the needs of students with disabilities or students whose first language is not English?
- Do I need Internet access to receive these services?

Can my child participate in more than one program?

Students are expected to begin and complete the tutoring program with one provider. It is important to choose the provider carefully to meet the needs of your child. However, if the program you selected does not meet your expectations, there will be an opportunity to change programs during a three-week period in December. After December, no further program transfers are allowed.

If my child needs help in both math and reading, can I choose one provider for math and another for reading?

No, your child can receive SES tutoring from only one provider. In this case, it would be better to choose a provider who can tutor in both math and reading.

What are the attendance requirements in SES tutoring programs?

Any student enrolled in a tutoring program must attend every session. Any child who is absent for five consecutive sessions will be removed from the program.

Whom should I call if I have more questions?

- Contact any one of the service providers listed on the Quick Reference Guide for further information.
- For general questions about the free SES tutoring program, please call Steve Desrosiers in the BPS Office of Accountability, 617-635-6810.
- Visit the BPS website: www.bostonpublicschools.org, and click on Resources → For Families
- Visit the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education website: www.doe.mass.edu/ses/

