



CHICHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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FREE Tutoring Services to Eligible Students of Chichester Middle School -Reading, Mathematics, and Science (2009-2010 School Year)

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Dear Chichester Middle School Parent or Guardian,

Each year, all Pennsylvania students in grades 3 through 8 as well grade 11, take the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) examinations in Reading, Mathematics, and Science. For the 2008/2009 school year, students in the Chichester School District continued to make substantial gains in student achievement at almost all every grade level and within all buildings district wide. This was especially evident at Chichester Middle School, where students made great strides in almost every measured area (19 of 21 performance targets were reached). However, in the area of Special Education, Reading and Mathematics, the performance targets were not reached.

As a result of missing these two targets, the Middle School failed to achieve Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) according to state guidelines. Therefore, the middle school is now classified as a building in School Improvement II status. With this status, the District must offer 1) school choice as well as 2) tutoring services beyond the hours of the normal school day. As there is no other Middle School in our district, the first option of school choice is not available. However, tutoring services must be made available under the guidelines of Supplemental Educational Services or **SES** under No Child Left Behind (**NCLB**) legislation. In order to qualify for these tutoring services, students must meet specific eligibility criteria based on family income. A follow-up notice will be sent to the families of all students currently qualifying over the next few weeks.

SES tutoring sessions are provided after school, on weekends and/or during the summer by tutoring services approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. At the present time, there are approximately 9 of these providers who have indicated their willingness and availability to service our students. A current list of the providers is included with this letter. The tutoring services will only be offered at their locations. The district does NOT provide transportation but does assume all other costs of the services, up to a specific dollar amount. The specific dollar limit per student is currently being determined by the state.

When the final determination of the dollar amount is made, the district will contact those eligible students with specific information on the enrollment and registration process. The Middle School will hold an "Information Night" on Wednesday, September 23rd, to address specific questions with regard to eligibility, services available, providers, contact information, dollar amounts, and the necessary steps for initial enrollment. Meeting details will follow.

In the meantime, please feel free to contact any of the individuals listed below.

Sincerely,

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Supplemental Educational Services (SES) – PDE Approved Providers List
2009/2010 School Year

<u>Provider's Name</u>	<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>LEA (County)</u>
Walden, Todd	Club Z In-Home Tutoring Services, Inc.	Tampa	All-SES-Eligible-Districts-In-(Delaware);
Roberts, Kendra	Education Futures Corp.	Philadelphia	All-SES-Eligible-Districts-In-(Delaware);
Holmes, Peggy	Huntington Learning Center	Oradell	Chichester SD(Delaware);
Wosu, Enefaa	Kanmas Educational Support Center	Gibsonia	All-SES-Eligible-Districts-In-(Delaware);
Treloar, Jim	Learner First	Kingston	All-SES-Eligible-Districts-In-(Delaware);
Martin, Dave	OPOK I, dba A-plus Grades Up	Havertown	All-SES-Eligible-Districts-In-(Delaware);
Underwood, Peter	Reach For Tomorrow, Inc.	Chantilly	All-SES-Eligible-Districts-In-(Delaware);
Swain, Arthur	Stay On Top Tutoring Services Inc.	Philadelphia	All-SES-Eligible-Districts-In-(Delaware);
Schaufele, Kristie	Tutorial Services	Allen Park	All-SES-Eligible-Districts-In-(Delaware);

For more information, click the following link –
<https://www.pases.ed.state.pa.us/Screens/wfPublicSearch.aspx>

To find Chichester School District's approved providers select the following:

For county, select: **Delaware** from the drop-down menu
For LEA, select: **Chichester SD** from the drop-down menu