



Free Tutoring for Eligible Students
NCLB Supplemental Education Services
Frequently Asked Questions

A student who qualifies for free or reduced-price lunch and who attends an ASD Title I school that has not made Adequate Yearly Progress for two or more years may apply for the following free extra academic help.

Under the federal education law, No Child Left Behind, some students who attend Title I schools that have reached an NCLB School Improvement Status of Level 2 or higher, are eligible for Supplemental Educational Services. SES is extra academic assistance beyond the normal school day that school districts must provide free of charge to eligible students. If you choose to enroll in the program, you'll be able to select a program that best fits your child's needs from among a list of state-approved providers. We're sending you this notice to help you understand what SES is and what you must do to take advantage of this opportunity.

WHAT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES?

Supplemental educational services are academic programs beyond the school day designed to help students improve academic performance. Depending upon the provider, this service could take the form of one-on-one tutoring, small group instruction, or distance delivery (via computers or over the phone).

WHO CHOOSES THE SES PROVIDER FOR MY CHILD?

One of the most important features of SES is that the parents are the ones who will make choices for their children. You'll be able to choose from among different types of services, given by different providers, at different locations. Parents get to decide which provider is best for their child. Also, there is no obligation to enroll your child in SES. This is merely an additional option for eligible students.

IS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED?

It is important to note that the district is **not** responsible for providing transportation to students for supplemental services.

WILL ALL ELIGIBLE CHILDREN BE ABLE TO ENROLL IN THE PROGRAM?

There are only a limited number of spaces in the SES program, so we may not be able to enroll every child whose parent applies. Until we hear from all parents whose children are eligible, we can't guarantee that your child will get a space.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF SES?

If the student's tutor provides effective instruction that targets the student's academic needs and the student actively participates during each scheduled session, academic gains should be expected.



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IS PRIORITY GIVEN TO THE LOWEST ACHIEVING STUDENTS?

In compliance with the federal law, we will give first priority to the lowest-achieving students. The achievement level will be based on the student's score on the statewide assessment program. In the case of a tie, we will select students by random lottery.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION DEADLINE?

If you decide that you want to enroll your child in the SES program and choose one of the providers, the ASD must receive first round applications by November 7. Please mail or deliver the application to: ASD Title I Program, ASD Education Center, 5530 East Northern Lights Blvd., Anchorage, AK, 99504. If the application is not received by November 7, your child may not be able to participate.

WHEN WILL WE KNOW IF OUR CHILD'S APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED?

On about November 17 notifications will be mailed to households about whether your child's application to participate in the SES program has been approved. At that time, we will also provide you with additional information on the next steps to begin services with the provider.

WHICH ASD TITLE I SCHOOLS WILL BE OFFERING SES TO ELIGIBLE STUDENTS IN 2008-2009?

Airport Heights, AVAIL, Chinook, Fairview, Lake Otis, North Star, Nunaka Valley, Ptarmigan, Tudor, Tyson, Whaley Education Center, Williwaw and Willow Crest.

WHO ARE THE STATE-APPROVED SES PROVIDERS FOR THIS DISTRICT?

This Web site contains a list of the state-approved SES Providers who plan to provide services to ASD students.

MORE QUESTIONS?

If you have any more questions about the SES program or would like help in choosing a provider, please contact Sherry Girard at the ASD Title I office at 742-4490 or Girard_Sherry@asdk12.org.