



Natchitoches Parish School Board

2009-2010 SES Letter to Parents

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Superintendent
Joella Wilson
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September 22, 2009

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Help your child succeed in school – sign up for **free tutoring** at Parks Elementary Middle School, the Natchitoches Parish School District's website, or at the Title I Media Center. **Supplemental Educational Services (SES)** may help your child improve their academic performance and score higher on state tests. If you choose to enroll your child, you will be able to select a program and Provider that best fits your child's needs. It will provide a safe environment and will be a productive use of time. This notice is to help you understand how SES can help your child and what you must do to take advantage of it.

1. **SES** - One of the most improved features of SES is that the parents are the ones who will be able to choose among different types of services given by different providers at different locations. You can decide what is best for your child, but there is no obligation to enroll your child in SES. Services will be offered at Parks Elementary/Middle School at 800 Koonce Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana, or an off-campus site based on your selection of the Provider.
2. **SES PROVIDERS** - The attached list of providers has been approved by the Louisiana State Department of Education and will provide your child tutoring that should help with what is being taught in school. The attachment shows a description of each and the services they offer. They will offer their services at the locations listed on the chart. Please note that on the attached list, these are the providers approved for Natchitoches Parish at this time.
3. **EVERY CHILD MAY NOT BE ACCOMMODATED** - There are a limited number, so every child that applies may not be able to enroll. Every parent that is interested should apply for their child.
4. **PRIORITY FOR LOWEST-ACHIEVING STUDENT** - In compliance with federal law, first priority will be given to the lowest-achieving students from low income families. The achievement level will be based on the student's score on the statewide assessment program. Low income is based on free and reduced lunch status.
5. **APPLICATION DEADLINE** - If you choose to enroll your child(ren) in the SES program, please choose one of the Providers, complete the attached registration form and return it by 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 6, 2009 to Gwen Antee-Hardison at the Natchitoches Parish School Board's Title I Media Center, 310A Royal Street or at Parks Elem./Middle High School, 800 Koonce Street.
6. **NOTICE DATE** - You will be notified by mail or phone call by Wednesday October 7, 2009. Information about start dates, services and location will be included.
7. **QUESTIONS** - Any questions about SES or choosing a provider, please call Gwen Antee-Hardison at 318-352-8389 or e-mail: mcgwen@nat.k12.la.us.
8. **APPLICATION** - The application is on the following page or may be obtained from Parks Elementary/Middle High School at 800 Koonce Street, Natchitoches Parish School Board's Title I Media Center or downloaded from the NPSB website. [Click here for application](#). To participate, you must return the form on the following page.
9. **TUTORING SESSIONS** - The sessions will begin on October 13, 2009 and extend through March 24, 2010. Applications must be returned to Parks Elem./Middle High School or NPSB Title I Media Center.
10. **PROVIDER FAIR** - The Provider fair will be held at Parks Elementary/Middle High School on October 6, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

11. PROVIDERS FOR NATCHITOCHEs

- MTS Tutorial –Reading and Math, Grades K-8
Services include: SPED and LEP
Program site: Parks Elem./Middle
Label: Reading/ELA Approved
Math - Approved
Qualifications: Doctorate Degree; Ed. Specialist; Master of Behavior Studies;
Master SpEd.; BS Education
Evidence of effectiveness: National Reading Panel; aligned to standardized test objectives
- Sylvan Learning – Reading and Math, Grades K-8
Services include: SPED
Program site: 234 Keyser Ave., Natchitoches, LA
Label: New
Qualifications: State Certified teachers; Sylvan Certificate; Doctorate Degree
Evidence of effectiveness: retention of students, ongoing assessments
- The Learning Haven – Reading and Math, Grades K-8
Program site: Parks Elem./Middle
Label: New
Qualifications: qualified instructional staff
Evidence of effectiveness: not available
- A to Z In-Home Tutoring, Grades K-12
Services include: SPED/LEP
Program site: In-home
Label: Reading/ELA - Approved
Math – Probation 1
Qualifications: not provided
Evidence of effectiveness: survey parents
- Club Z! In-Home Tutoring, Grades K-12
Services include: SPED/LEP
Program site - In-home
Label: Reading/ELA - Probation 1
Math – Satisfactory
Qualifications: Doctorate, Masters, Associate Degrees; individuals with a minimum of
60 hours college credit
Evidence of effectiveness: recorded feedback from parents
- Kinetic Potential Scholars, Grades 5-8
Services include: LEP
Program site: Virtual technology (In-home)
Label: New
Qualifications: qualified instructional staff
Evidence of effectiveness: Learning plan for students
- Supportive Integrative Services, Grades K-5
Services include: SPED
Program site: TBA
Label: New
Qualifications: Masters in: Counseling, Technology, Sociology
Evidence of effectiveness: provider studies, data-based reports

The Achievement Academy, Grades K-12
Program site: Parks Elem./Middle
Services do not include: SPED/LEP
Label: Reading/ELA - Satisfactory
Math – Satisfactory
Qualifications: not provided
Evidence of effectiveness: retention of students, develop IAPs

Failure Free Reading, Grades K-12
Services include: SPED/LEP
Program site: Parks Elem./Middle
Label: Reading/ELA – Satisfactory
Math – NA
Qualifications: certified teachers/comply with NCLB instructional requirements
Evidence of effectiveness: research studies

Sincerely,

Gwendolyn Antee-Hardison
Director of Federal Programs
Natchitoches Parish School Board

APPROVED:

Dr. Derwood Duke
Superintendent of Schools
Natchitoches Parish School Board

ATTACHMENT (see next page for application form or [download it here.](#))



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2009-2010 Parent Request for SES

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PARENT REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Student: _____ Date of Birth: _____

(Please Print)

Grade: ____ Homeroom Teacher: _____ Student I.D. Number: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Additional Phone number: _____

____ Yes, I am interested in SES for my child.

As the parent/guardian of this student, I understand that some of the providers listed may or may not offer services on my child's campus, so I have ranked the providers to provide tutorial support. I understand that my child will be placed in my first choice based on the criteria of: 1) Free/Reduced Lunch, 2) Lowest test scores, 3) Availability of space for the Provider. I understand that all students who apply may or may not be accepted for enrollment due to the federal guidelines listed above.

1st Choice _____ **2nd Choice** _____

If your child needs transportation please check and indicate the address.

____ My child needs transportation. Bus Address: _____

(school-based programs, only)

I understand that:

1. The district is obligated to pay only up to the state's per pupil allotment for the 2009-10 school year for the services I have selected. Services will end for my student when that amount is reached. If I want my student to get services beyond that amount, I understand that I will have to pay for them myself.
2. Tutorial services will terminate on March 24, 2010 or when my student has utilized the predetermined amount allocated for his/her support services, whichever comes first.
3. I must attend a meeting with a representative of the provider and the school's representative to establish goals for my student.
4. I must ensure that my child attends the program regularly.
5. I must ensure that my child follows the rules and regulations of the program or my child will no longer be allowed to attend the tutoring sessions.
6. In signing my child up for SES Tutoring, I give permission for the District to give educational and demographic information to the provider.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

****** To be eligible for services, this form must be returned by Tuesday, October 7, 2009, to Parks Elementary/Middle School or Gwen Antee-Hardison, Director of Federal Programs, Natchitoches Parish Media Center, 310A Royal Street, Natchitoches, LA 71457.******