Free Tutoring for Your Child!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Help your child succeed in school – sign up for free tutoring! This is a great opportunity to help your child in school without any cost to you. As a result of the federal No Child Left Behind Act, your child can receive academic tutoring to help him or her do better in school.

You can choose a free tutoring program that best meets your child’s needs from the list of approved tutoring programs in your area. These programs, which have been approved by the state department of education, will provide your child with tutoring that is coordinated with what is being taught in school and may help improve your child’s academic skills. Research from the federal government has shown that students who participated in this free tutoring program made significant gains in student achievement, and those students who participated in multiple years did even better.

The list of tutoring programs gives you a description of each program, the qualifications of the tutors, and information about each program’s effectiveness. It also indicates the programs that serve students with disabilities or limited English proficiency.

When deciding which tutoring program is best for your child, you may want to ask these questions:

- When and where will the tutoring take place (at school, home, a community center)?
- How often and for how many hours in total will your child be tutored?
- What programs, by grade levels and subject areas, are available for your child?
- What type of instruction will the tutor use (small group, one-on-one, or the computer)?
- What are the tutors’ qualifications?
- Can the tutor help if your child has a disability or is learning English?
- Is transportation available to and from the location where the tutoring will take place?

Please call the Meridian School District Office if you have any questions about this tutoring program. If you would like to select a tutor now, you can fill out the enclosed provider selection form application and mail it back to the address on the form, or return it to the Irene Reither office. Applications are due by September 28th. If we have too many applications then we will determine who get tutoring by need. After you submit your application, you will receive a letter or email telling you when the free tutoring will start. Information on providers can be found at: http://www.meridian.wednet.edu/TLS/Title1

Thank you.

David Forsythe, Assistant Superintendent

Enclosures: SES Application