

BARROW COUNTY SCHOOLS

Frequently Asked Questions about Supplemental Educational Services (SES)

❖ Which students are eligible for tutoring (supplemental educational services)?

All students who attend a school in Needs Improvement are eligible. However, the school district may not have enough money to serve all eligible students, in which case the district will give priority to students who are from low-income families and who are the lowest-performing. Students will be served in the following order: 1) students who are eligible to receive free/reduced price meals and who are failing Math, Reading, English/Language Arts, Science, or Social Studies, 2) students who are not eligible to receive free/reduced price meals and who are failing Math, Reading, English/Language Arts, Science, or Social Studies, 3) students who are eligible to receive free/reduced price meals but who are not failing Math, Reading, English/Language Arts, Science, or Social Studies, 4) students who are not eligible to receive free/reduced price meals and who are not failing Math, Reading, English/Language Arts, Science, or Social Studies.

❖ Who are the tutors?

The Georgia Department of Education has a list of approved providers in our area from which you can choose.

❖ How much will tutoring cost me?

Tutoring is free for eligible students and will be paid for by the school district. The district can spend a maximum of \$1158 per student for tutoring.

❖ Where will my child be tutored?

This depends on the tutor you choose. Depending on which tutor you select and their agreement with the school district, your child may be tutored at a school, a local church, community center, a place of business, or your home.

❖ When will tutoring take place?

Tutoring services are provided outside of the school day. Depending on which tutor you select and their agreement with the school district, your child may be tutored before school, after school, on weekends, or during the summer.

❖ How will my child get to tutoring?

Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) are responsible for getting their child to and from tutoring unless the provider offers transportation. The school district does not provide transportation to or from tutoring.

❖ What are the benefits of having my child participate in free tutoring?

Students who participate in SES may increase their academic achievement in subject areas in which tutoring takes place.

❖ What will my child study?

Students who participate in SES will receive tutoring in the subject areas in which they struggle academically. The school district and the SES Provider will assist parents in identifying specific academic needs and in establishing goals for each student.

❖ How will I know how my child is doing during tutoring?

SES Providers are required to prepare progress reports monthly to inform parents and the school district of each student's progress.

❖ How do I enroll my child in tutoring services?

Review all information available about the approved providers and select the one that best meets your child's needs. Complete the "Request for Supplemental Educational Services" form and submit it to Shannon Hammond by February 3, 2012.