

# Centennial Elementary School



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Help your child succeed in school – sign up for free tutoring! As a result of the federal No Child Left Behind Act, your child can receive extra help in the areas of math, reading, and language arts. You can receive this free tutoring because Centennial Elementary School is in its second year or later of “school improvement,” and your family meets the income limits under the law.

Centennial Elementary School has been identified for improvement because it has not made adequate yearly progress on state measures of academic achievement for at least three years. The state requires that schools meet all performance indicators for two consecutive years before they can be deemed a school making adequate yearly progress. Our district’s report card (enclosed with this letter) shows how your child’s school compares to other schools in our district and state. We will be sending you more information in a few weeks about how you can help us to continue to improve, and make all students successful.

For now, you can now choose a free tutoring program that is best for your child. **A list of the state approved tutoring programs for Centennial students is enclosed.** More detailed information on each of these programs is available online at: <https://www.pases.ed.state.pa.us/Screens/wfPublicSearch.aspx>. **If you do not have access to a computer, hard copy information will also be available at the school for your review.**

These programs have been approved by the state department of education and will provide your child with tutoring that is coordinated with what is being taught in school.

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, and 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 computer)?
- What are the tutor’s qualifications?
- Can the tutor help if your child has disabilities or is learning English?
- Is transportation available to and from where the tutoring will take place? **(Transportation to and from tutoring programs is the responsibility of the parent/ guardian.)**

Please call Michael Matta at (412) 664-3627 if you have any questions about these services. **If you would like to select a tutor now, you can fill out the enclosed provider selection form and have your child return it to the school office at Centennial Elementary School. Applications are due by September 30, 2011.** You will receive a letter from the McKeesport Area School District by Friday, October 14, 2011 telling you when tutoring will start.

Thank You,

Michael V. Matta,  
Director of Federal Programs,  
McKeesport Area School District

Enclosures: Approved Providers List  
Provider selection Form

# SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES PROVIDER SELECTION FORM

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name (Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
School

\_\_\_\_\_  
Academic Year

## Check the Box that Applies:

My son/daughter **WILL** participate in the Supplemental Educational Services program as it is described in *No Child Left Behind*.

- I am selecting the state-approved provider from the list provided to me.

I select \_\_\_\_\_.  
(State-approved provider's name)

- I understand that the district will enter into an agreement with the provider, and I will be notified of a time to meet with the provider to set goals for my student.
- I understand that the provider will regularly inform me and the student's teacher(s) of the student's progress.
- I understand that if funds are insufficient to cover the supplemental educational services for all of the students who choose to participate, participation will be prioritized on the basis of academic need as defined by the district.

My son/daughter **WILL NOT** participate this academic year in the Supplemental Educational Services program as it is described in *No Child Left Behind*.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of parent/guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed name of parent/guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Daytime Telephone number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Evening Telephone number)

# APPROVED SES PROVIDER LIST FOR 2011-2012

Below is a list of Tutoring Providers that have been approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education to provide free tutoring services for eligible students that attend **Centennial Elementary School**.

Students may enroll for tutoring at any time during the school year. We encourage interested families to enroll as early as possible in order to receive maximum benefit for their child.

<u>Provider's Name</u>	<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>City</u>
Edwards, Brandon	1 in Learning	Mission Hills, CA
Henderson, Terri	Boys Girls Clubs of Western PA	Pittsburgh, PA
Sumter, Rhonda	Bright Light Education	Jersey City, NJ
Aschmann, Joan	Catapult Learning, LLC	Camden, NJ
Diaz, Cari	Club Z In-Home Tutoring Services, Inc	Tampa, FL
Chaney, Marilyn	Earthen Vessels Outreach	Pittsburgh, PA
Herring, Christine	Herring Tutoring and Testing Services	Monroeville, PA
Holmes, Peggy	Huntington Learning Center	Oradell, NJ
Wosu, Enefaa	Kanmas Educational Support Center	Pittsburgh, PA
Coughenour, Jane	McKeesport Area SD	McKeesport, PA
MARTIN, TAWNIA	ms. moye's center for excellence	HOPEWELL, PA
Underwood, Peter	Reach For Tomorrow, Inc.	Chantilly, VA
Kassim, Abdalla	Somali Bantu Youth and Family Organization of PA	Columbus, OH
Rohde, Randy	Sylvan Learning	Solon, OH
Northrope, William	Sylvan Learning Center	Pittsburgh, PA
Rizkalla, Heidi	The Learning Lamp	Johnstown, PA
Lane, Tawanda	The Right Prep, LLC	Pembroke Pines, FL
Schaufele, Kristie	Tutorial Services	Saline, MI
Woldehanna, Yohannes	A Plus Success	Alexandria, VA
Thompson, Bayeh	ACES	Philadelphia, PA
Simmons, Carol	Achieve HighPoints from Datamatics, Inc	Yeadon, PA

McNeill, Melinda	ATS Project Success	Clinton Township, MI
Zarrei, Michael	Attain Learning Centers	New Cumberland, PA
Christianson, John	Christianson Tutorials, LLC	Allentown, PA
Rosemond, Nichelle	One On One Tutoring Service, Inc.	Philadelphia, PA
Arezzi, Vincent	Right Reason Technologies	Bethlehem, PA
Rodriguez, Clayvi	Rocket Learning	Miami, FL

*To view these programs in greater detail, please click on the link below. Then, under “County”, select Allegheny, and under “LEA” select McKeesport Area.*

<https://www.pases.ed.state.pa.us/Screens/wfPublicSearch.aspx>

***Printed copies describing each tutoring program are also available in Centennial Elementary School’s main office.***