

Supplemental Education Services (SES). Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

The following questions and answers may help you understand more about SES.

1. What are Supplemental Education Services (SES)?

SES are tutoring sessions offered outside the regular school day – usually before or after school, on weekends, or in the summer.

2. Who may receive SES?

The federal law states that only low-income students, those on free or reduced lunch, attending a Title I school in Program Improvement are eligible for SES. If we cannot provide SES for all requests submitted, priority is given to the lowest achieving of these students.

3. Who does the tutoring?

Lucia Mar Unified School District provides tutoring before and/or after school at all Title I schools. Days and times varying between sites. The school office can provide additional information regarding school site services.

Organizations apply to the Department of Education to be listed on the approved California's list of providers. After the review process, the list of approved SES/tutoring providers is updated. The list of providers may change from year to year. Our website has a list of current SES providers serving our area with a brief summary of their services.

4. Who pays for the tutoring?

The school district/LEA will pay for the tutoring based on the district's SES per student rate. Each child will receive an average of 20 to 60 hours of tutoring during the school year, depending on the fees charged by the provider.

5. Who decides on which SES provider my child will have?

Parents choose from the state's list of approved providers, and we try to meet your first choice. An agreement must be reached and signed by all parties – the school district, provider, and parents – before services can begin.

6. When does the tutoring begin?

It will begin as soon as possible in the first semester after the agreement is signed by all parties.

7. Are the tutoring sessions at our school?

Some may be, and some may not. That is part of the agreement between the school and provider. If the tutoring is provided on another site, such as a community center, library, or the provider's site, parents are responsible for transportation.

8. How often and for how many hours will my child be tutored?

The time will vary with different providers. On average, students will have two tutoring sessions a week with each session lasting an hour or two.

9. Can the tutors help a child who has disabilities or is learning English?

Some SES providers have tutors specially trained to work with these children. We will need to check their qualifications.