



**FREE TUTORING IN STATE SCHOOLS – GEORGIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S) NOTIFICATION
SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE**

08/07/2011

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Your child attends Georgia School for the Deaf, which receives federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state achievement standards. Your child's school has not met these standards in Academic Performance 7 consecutive years and therefore has not made adequate yearly progress (AYP). Due to not meeting these standards for 7 years your child's school has been identified as a School in Need of Improvement (NI).

The Georgia Department of Education, GaDOE and your local school are working hard to provide programs to help all students succeed. These efforts include implementing the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, (ESEA). This law supports parent(s)/legal guardian(s) and schools working together to raise student achievement.

As part of our efforts to improve student achievement and implement ESEA, your child may be eligible to receive supplemental educational services (SES), which is free tutoring provided by State approved providers. **Only parent(s)/legal guardian(s) of students who qualify to receive free or reduced price meals (FRM) may request SES.** If the school district does not have sufficient funds to provide services to all eligible children, priority will be given to those eligible children with the lowest test scores.

If you are interested in free tutoring for your child, please complete the SES application. Also, attached are the answers to some frequently asked questions about supplemental educational services (SES). A list of State approved providers with a short description of each to assist you with choosing a provider to serve your child. Each child is allotted \$350 (estimated amount based on last year's allocation) for tutoring. This money is paid directly to the tutoring company or provider by the school district on behalf of the participating student and at no charge to the parent(s)/legal guardian(s). A list of GaDOE State approved providers is also available at your child's school or district Web site or by accessing the GaDOE Web site:
http://www.doe.k12.ga.us/tss_title_parent.aspx?PagerReg=TSSTitleSES

Attached is a list of frequently asked questions and an approved SES State Approved Provider List with a short description of each. Please complete the enclosed SES application by **September 2, 2011** to enroll your child. You may contact **Leslie Jackson** at 706-777-2200 or via email at LeJackson@doe.k12.ga.us if you have further questions. **Please remember that the school must receive the SES form by September 2, 2011. This gives you a minimum of 20 school days to request services.**

You may submit the Request for Services Form by mail to Attention Leslie Jackson 232 Perry Farm Road Cave Spring, GA 30124 fax 706-777-2204 or hand deliver to Leslie Jackson 232 Perry Farm Road Cave Spring, GA 30124 the form by September 2, 2011.

You will be notified regarding enrollment and start date by Leslie Jackson, Principal. For questions or additional information, contact **Leslie Jackson** at 706-777-2200, email LeJackosn@doe.k12.ga.us, fax 706-777-2204 or Sunday Stephens at 706-777-2325, email sstephens@doe.k12.ga.us, fax 706-777-2204.

Sincerely,

Principal