

BC Tutoring Center Description

The BC Tutoring Center, on the main campus and in Delano, offers free peer tutoring to students in most courses. Students may receive one scheduled tutoring session per subject per week. They may receive as many drop-in sessions in math and English as they wish. The program is certified through the College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA).

Tutor Recruitment and Training

At the end of each semester, the Tutoring Center sends out a letter to all full time and part time instructors requesting recommendations for tutors for the following semester. These potential tutors must have earned an "A" or a "B" and must have personal and professional qualities necessary to assist peers. New tutors take a 1 unit, transfer-level tutor training class where they learn how to assist students in identifying strategies to support learning and enhance academic performance. Returning tutors take a ½ unit transfer-level class to further their tutoring skills.

We typically have approximately 80 tutors per semester. This semester we have 102 tutors (as of 9/25/14, most are still in the process of becoming employees of the district/tutors).

Services

We provide two types of tutoring services: (1) scheduled 50 minute appointments in most subjects with the same tutor, and (2) drop-in 15 minute appointments in math and English; a student could see the drop-in numerous times during the day or week. Typically, we tutor 800-1,200 students per semester. These students may see a tutor up to 14 times (one per week for 14 weeks), for example, so our actual number of scheduled appointments averages 3,800 per semester. (We do not have a total number of drop-in appointments although we could produce this if given some time.) DSP&S and EOP&S students can request an additional session per subject per week.

Location and Hours

The Tutoring Center is open five days a week and is located in the Jerry Ludeke Learning Center (SS 203) in the Student Success Building (above Counseling).

Our hours this fall 2014 semester are:

Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:00 AM-7:00 PM

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 AM-5:30 PM

Friday 8:00 AM-11:00 AM

Success Rates

The data show that 50% of students who receive tutoring say that they do not drop their class (classes).

The data show that 90% of students who receive tutoring believe their grade(s) improve as a result of tutoring.