

# Silvis School District #34

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Ray Bergles, Superintendent

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Parent/Guardian

To The Parent/Guardian of George O. Barr Elementary Student,

Help your child succeed in school—sign up for free tutoring! As a result of the federal *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*, your child can receive extra help in the approved subject areas. You can receive this free tutoring because your child's school is in its second year or later of school improvement (the school has not made adequate yearly progress on state tests for at least three years), and your family meets the income limits under the law.

You can choose a free tutoring program that is best for your child. A list of approved tutoring programs in your area is enclosed. These programs have been approved by the Illinois State Board of Education and may 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 consider these questions as you read each description as provided by the supplemental educational service:

- When and where will the tutoring take place (at school, community center, etc.)?
- 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 the 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?

If more students request tutoring than can be served through available funding, priority will be given to low-performing students, as determined by the district.

Please call Mr. Michael Hughes if you have any questions about these services. If you would like to select a tutor, you can fill out the enclosed provider selection form and bring it to Mr. Hughes in the George O. Barr Elementary office due by September 23, 2011. You will receive a letter from Mr. Hughes by September 30, 2011 telling you the which providers have accepted students and when the free tutoring will start.

Thank you,

Mr. Michael Hughes  
Principal

Enclosures:   Approved Provider List/Provider Information  
                  Provider Selection Forms