



A New Tutoring System: No Child Left Behind vs. The Tutoring for Students Act

No Child Left Behind: SES

- The federal government mandates that states spend 20% of their Title I funds on tutoring for low-income students trapped in failing schools
- States are not required to provide strict oversight of tutoring providers, and do not have to use any Title I funds to provide oversight
- Providers are *not* measured specifically on their impact on improving student academic achievement
- School districts must spend 20% of their Title I funds on tutoring, as designated by a rigid formula
- The Department of Education has limited oversight of state and local implementation of tutoring programs in states and districts. While the Department does require that states and districts make parents aware of this program, oversight is weak
- Creates opportunities for struggling students to receive personalized instruction
- Creates an opportunity for parents to take control of their child's education by enrolling their child in tutoring, picking the best provider for their child, and receiving regular progress reports

The Tutoring for Students Act

- States control the tutoring program. States target 10% of their Title I funding to tutoring. Districts compete for that funding
- States must provide strict oversight of tutoring providers and ensure those providers not increasing student achievement are not allowed to participate. They may use Title I funds for oversight
- Providers *are* measured specifically on their impact on improving student academic achievement
- School districts have flexibility to determine how best to target services to the students who are further behind academically
- The Secretary of Education must conduct a national evaluation of the tutoring program to ensure that states and districts are upholding high standards and making parents aware of this option for their children
- Maintains opportunities for struggling students to receive personalized instruction
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