

Southland Academy

Dear Parents,

As we kick off the 2023-2024 school year, I would like to explain the services that will be offered through Southland Academy's Learning Lab this year as well as some changes. The Learning Lab was established to ensure that all students can succeed in the classroom by helping students develop skill sets and effective learning strategies, providing one on one and small group tutoring, and offering classroom and/or testing accommodations to those who qualify. As an experienced teacher of students with learning difficulties, I am excited to be a new addition to the Southland family and serve as director for the Lab. In addition to me, other teachers will serve as tutors and will be helping with our elementary, middle, and high school students. We are excited about seeing what students who participate in the Lab can do with all of our support!

You can sign your child up for tutoring services, testing accommodations (requires documentation), or both. Please note that if your child has an updated psychological with a diagnosis, he or she will receive more individualized instruction from me. **If you sign your child up to receive learning lab services, we will need to set up a meeting as soon as possible to discuss your child's needs.**

This school year, the learning lab will have a scheduled time for each student to meet with either the tutor or myself. They will be expected to go to the lab or meet with their tutor at their scheduled time **every day**. Demerits will be given for students who do not show for their scheduled time (no exceptions).

Attached you will find information on the Learning Lab programs as well as a registration form for the 2023-2024 school year. To sign up or **continue** receiving services, please fill out the new registration form and return it to your child's homeroom teacher. We will then set up a meeting before your child will begin receiving learning lab services. Please note that the deadline to sign your child up for fall semester will be **September 8th** and the deadline for spring semester will be **January 12th**. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the email or phone number below.

We look forward to a great school year! Go Raiders!

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Learning Lab Programs

Tutorial Program:

Grades 1st - 12th

\$75/month

The tutorial program provides subject-specific tutorial assistance to students experiencing academic difficulties. Teachers may recommend students for this program based on grades and performance in the classroom. Students will meet with a tutor 2-4 times per week during study hall or an agreed upon time during the school day with a tutor or in the Learning Lab. The tutor may assist more than one student at a time. Documentation from a professional source is not required for participation in this program, but **students with an updated psychological will receive more individualized instruction from the Learning Lab Director**. The cost of this program is not covered by tuition.

Testing Support Program

Grades 2nd - 12th

\$75/month

Testing accommodations will be considered for students with a diagnosis from a professional and/or an updated psychological evaluation. Accommodations include, but are not limited to, extended time on tests, testing in a small group, and tests read aloud. Accommodations allowed by the College Board will be closely followed. The Learning Lab Director will arrange for these accommodations to be made for the student. Documentation from a professional must be kept on file at the school. The cost of this program is not covered by tuition.

Tutorial and Testing Support Program

Grades 2nd-12th

\$150/month

This option is if you would like for your child to have **BOTH** tutoring services and testing accommodations. Students must have a diagnosis and/or an updated psychological to participate in this program.

Learning Lab Registration Form

Student Name _____

Grade _____

Parents' Names _____

Phone Contact _____

Email Contact _____

Please mark the program you wish to participate in:

Tutorial Program (\$75/month) _____

Testing Support Program (\$75/month) _____

Tutorial and Testing Support Program (\$150/month) _____

The Learning Lab staff expects students to do all work required of them during academic classes. The Learning Lab serves as a support system to the student in trying to make him/her as successful as possible in the classroom. The curriculum of Southland Academy will not be altered. The need for services will be re-evaluated periodically.

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Teacher's Signature _____ Date _____

Learning Lab Director's Signature _____ Date _____

Business Manager's Signature _____ Date _____

** Deadline for registration- Fall Semester: September 8

** Deadline for registration- Spring Semester: January 12