Tutor List
Rochester School District
September 2019-August 2020

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FIND A GREAT TUTOR THAT WILL FIT YOUR NEEDS!

This District List of Tutors is compiled as a courtesy service to parents and students. It is not to be taken as a recommendation. Tutors listed are not employed as tutors by Rochester Community Schools and are not subject to background checks. If you intend to use this list to locate a tutor, it is your responsibility to interview candidates and make a selection based on information you feel is relevant to your particular needs.
Ann Faoro / Zara Tutoring | All levels of Science | 9th - 12th grade
(586) 596-2081
zaratutoring1@gmail.com

Ann received her Bachelor’s & Master’s Degrees in Biology from the University of Michigan and received her endorsement to teach all science courses through Wayne State University. She has taught high school science for over 30 years: biology (regular, honors & AP), anatomy/physiology, genetics, horticulture, physical science (a chemistry/physics split), and physics (conceptual, regular & honors). This past school year Ann tutored several RCS students in Funds of Chem, General Chem, and AP Chem at Zara Tutoring. Call or text the phone number above or email to schedule a session w/ Ann!

Anna Giedzinska | Mathematics, Physics & Economics | K - 12th grade
(248) 613-9411
+ college level


Archana Deo | Chemistry & Math | 9th - 12th grade
(515) 865-0179
Deoarch57@gmail.com

I have a Masters in Chemistry from Iowa State University, specialized in Analytical Chemistry. I have experience with college Chemistry and I can also help with Math. Experience teaching high school and college undergraduate. Being available all year long, please feel free to contact me by phone or email. Rate: $50 per person per hour.

Ashley Panton / Zara Tutoring | Math (through Pre-Calc) | 6th - 12th grade
(586) 596-2081
English, Essay support | zaratutoring1@gmail.com

Ashley is certified in Math & English. Having graduated from Rochester Adams High School, Ashley is very familiar with the district’s rigorous curriculum. She has a passion for engaging students in the content by identifying their learning style in order to help them flourish! Ashley has had some great experiences that helped mold her into a very personable teacher. For example, she spent a summer in Liverpool, England (home of the Beatles) teaching Algebra to a group of 11th graders. Call or text the phone number above or email to schedule a session with Ashley!
Brian Scholten  | ACT/SAT Prep, Study Skills Chemistry, Business, Math through Calculus, English, Physics | 6th - 12th grade  
(248) 229-4968  
Tuodev@gmail.com

Professional, full time tutor with 16 years of experience. Can tutor in any subject and any grade, including AP, IB and college.

Carol Azizian  | English, History, Literature, ESL | 6th - 12th grade  
(248) 892-2219  
iamreporter@yahoo.com

Masters in Education from the University of Michigan; BA, History & Humanities (includes English). Certified in English and History. Taught 9th/10th grade English. I have been teaching English and literature at St. Joseph School since 2013. I currently teach 7th and 8th grades. Specialty is literature, grammar and writing, though I also can tutor history.

Carol Bodiya  | Reading, Writing | K - 12th grade  
(586) 243-8235  
carol@bodiya.com

BA in English with additional graduate level classes in Reading and Language Arts. Writing support for book reports, compositions, essays, research papers, applications, and resumes. Guidance during any part of the writing process: brainstorming, organizing ideas, sentence & paragraph structure, word choices, punctuation, transitions, proofreading, editing, rewriting. Flexible hours and online assistance possible after the initial tutoring session/s.

Carol Frankland  | Reading, Math, Language Arts | K - 4th grade  
(248) 370-8826

Retired Rochester teacher with Masters in reading. Taught for 34 years in Rochester and still active subbing for the district; keeping updated on curriculum. Enjoys working one on one with children and will adjust tutor times to the individual child’s needs. Will tutor in my home or yours.
Christine Santoro  | Reading, Writing, Math  | K - 5th grade  
(248) 515-5529

Masters in Curriculum from Michigan State University and a Bachelor of Science in Child Development from Central Michigan University. 15 years of lower-elementary teaching in the Frankenmuth School District and 5+ years of tutoring in Key West Schools. I am well qualified in building your students confidence as a reader/writer. Let me customize a focused instruction for improving skills pertaining to: comprehension, sight-word recognition, fluency, and vocabulary. Flexible hours; competitive rates.

Chandra Dasanayaka  | Algebra, Pre-Algebra, Math  | K - 9th grade  
(248) 651-8907

Mathematics teacher: B.A., P.G.D. Ed: 30 + years teaching experience and 10 years tutoring experience in middle and high school math. Tutored students in advanced, accelerated and regular math. Experience in McDougal Little Algebra, Geometry, Pre-Algebra, RCS math and other math courses.

David Johnson  | Pre-Algebra, Algebra I & II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Trigonometry, SAT and ACT test prep  | 6th - 12th grade  
(248) 561-6408

Rochester resident. 37th year teaching High School math. Highly Effective rating. University of Michigan graduate: Masters in Educational Administration from MSU. 8 years personal tutoring using Rochester Community Schools math curriculum. Flexible hours – can tutor in your home or Rochester Hills Library. Success in helping high school juniors and seniors maximize their SAT and ACT math scores.

Dipannita Mukherjee  | Math, Pre-Algebra, Algebra I & II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Science, Physics, Chemistry & Biology  | K - 12th grade  
(248) 790-0033  
Dmukherjee@rochester.K12.mi.us

I am a highly qualified and extremely patient instructor with a Bachelors in Engineering and Post Graduate Diploma. My goal is to help your student focus on understanding the concept and develop a strong foundation rather in addition to completing the coursework. I am currently employed by Rochester Community Schools. Also familiar with the academic curriculum of Troy and Utica Public Schools. 10+ years of experience assisting students in all subjects (specializing in Math and Science) as well as experience with assisting students with learning disabilities, cognitive impairment and other special needs. Previously, I helped coach the Math Olympiad at the Elementary School level and was a teacher sponsor and currently am a mentor of the FIRST Robotics. I am willing to come to your house to tutor.
Edward Grace | Math – all levels of Algebra & Pre-Calculus | 9th - 12th grade
(248) 693-4450

Retired Information Technology professional. BA/MA Mathematics, Oakland University. Adjunct Mathematics instructor at Oakland Community College, I have tutored several high school and adult students. I emphasize understanding math concepts rather than memorization of formulas and facts.

Fran Rubenstein | All Subjects, SAT Prep, ESL Students | K - 12th grade
(248) 330-9423

BA from Northern Iowa University and graduate work at Loyola University, Chicago. 5+ years teaching experience, 20 + years substituting and tutoring experience. Very familiar with Rochester Community Schools curriculum. I have a very successful Reading program to help children who are struggling with reading to reach their potential. Experienced in tutoring ESL students. Successfully homeschooled students with learning issues, autism, ADHS, etc….who were then able to return to the classroom. References available.

Gold Star Enrichment Learning | Reading, Writing, Math, A.P. Prep Technology Stem | K - 8th grade
(248) 923-1720
info@GoldstarEnrichment.com

Our TEACHERS make the difference.
Goldstar Enrichment Learning is a learning center unique from any other in the area because all sessions are facilitated by experienced classroom teachers. Our goal is to empower students to learn through small group or one-on-one instruction, tailoring sessions and differentiating to all types of learners. See our page on this Tutor List!

Hanan Spencer | Math; Elementary to Algebra II | K - 11th grade
(248) 860-1038
Hspencer@rochester.k12.mi.us

Local RCS teacher with 29 years of experience teaching mathematics (Math Major) and over 15 years of private tutoring. Although my area of expertise is algebra (teaching all advanced level classes at West Middle School), my passion for math is apparent at all levels. Whether your student needs remediation, recovery or acceleration, I have the passion to help your student be successful.
Iolanda Agazzi |
Italian: Beginner & Advanced | All Ages
(586) 992-0671
Mariaiole@aol.com

Native born Italian and has been teaching Italian (beginner & advanced) for over 25 years. Presently teaching Italian to adults Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at the MCC Center Campus. I also teach ESL to engineers, working for the auto industry, and their families to improve their English as a Second Language. I teach adults and children, group or individual. References are available upon request.

Isaac Sheppard, Jr. |
Reading | 2nd - 4th grade
(248) 459-1890
(248) 651-9123

Ph.D in Engineering, interested in tutoring Reading, especially to 2nd and 3rd graders to help them pass the 3rd grade reading test. I am concerned that only about 80% of current 3rd graders statewide can pass the test. My understanding is that a 3 or 4 year old state law will require 3rd graders to pass the 3rd grade reading test or be held back. Therefore, I want to tutor reading, to help the 3rd grader prepare for, and pass, this test. (Google Michigan 3rd grade reading test). *No charge for my tutoring.

Jane Taylor |
Math: 3rd – 6th, Reading, Writing: 3rd - 8th | 3rd - 8th grade
(248) 330-9261
JLohrmann1@yahoo.com

36 years teaching; Special Education, 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th. 32 years with RCS. I tutor in my home or at student’s home. I have tutored for 20 years. References available.

JoAnn Emerson |
Mathematics | 6th - 12th grade
(248) 891-5141

BS + 30 credits in Mathematics, teaching 7 years Secondary Education, RCS substitute teacher. 4 years Learning Solutions tutor. 10 + years RCS tutor. Quality Engineer (Boeing, GE, Motorola) 14 years Applied Math. University of Phoenix and Motorola University certified SPC instructor.
Joelle Del Rose | A.P. in: U.S.H., Government, Euro and World History; English Lit, Reading Comp, Essay Writing | K - 12th grade
(248) 462-5065
Jo80elle@gmail.com

I have a Ph.D. in History and have taught history at the college level for 15 years and have been tutoring high school students for six years. I have helped many high school seniors improve their reading comprehension and analytical skills in preparation for the rigors of college, and have helped them create unique strategies for standardized tests including the ACT and SAT. I am dedicated to helping students become better learners in A.P. and Honors U.S., European, and World History, Government, Literature, and a variety of other subjects. I am especially invested in helping students turn struggles into successes. I also help juniors narrow their college search and assist with college application essays and scholarship essays. References are available.

Julie Bieniek | Spanish | 6th - 12th grade
(248) 879-8108

Bachelor of Arts in Spanish Language & Literature with Departmental Honors from Oakland University. 19 years tutoring experience - all levels of Spanish. Have tutored Rochester, Adams & Stoney Creek High School students.

Kathleen E. Pille | All Subjects | 4th - 8th grade
(248) 227-4568

| Language Arts |
(248) 227-4568

I have taught middle school English and Social Studies for 12 years. I have also tutored in all subject areas for 12 years with an emphasis on organization, time management, stress reduction, test taking strategies, study skills, and essay writing. I specialize in English (grammar, use of vocabulary, ESL, writing process), social studies, and language arts/literature. I am available in the Rochester/Troy area and my rate is $40 an hour. Group sessions can be considered in Rochester.

Letizia Porretta | Chemistry, Biology (Regular, Honor, AP) | 9th - 12th grade
(586) 243-0770

| Anatomy, Physical Science, Earth Science |
| Forensic Science & Zoology |

Earned B.S. in Biology & Chemistry and Secondary Education certificate from Oakland University. I also hold an M.S. in Multidisciplinary Science from Wayne State University. Spent 10 years teaching Anatomy, Zoology & Forensic Science at a private school before taking a break to raise my own children. Have tutored for the last 15 years. I would love to help you make sense of science!
Laura Galante | Math, Reading, Writing | K - 5th grade
(248) 835-7583 you can call/text
ldiepenhorst@hotmail.com

I’ve taught/tutored for 17 years plus in; England, Australia, Royal Oak, MI and Troy, MI. I hold a BA from MSU in Early Childhood (ZA), Language Arts (K-8), and Elementary Education and have a Masters (MACT) in Curriculum and Teaching from MSU. I tutor in: math, reading, writing…etc. and have a plethora of hands on games, activities, and resources for grades K-5. I am familiar with the Rochester Curriculum (Everyday Math, Visible Thinking, Zoo Phonics and more.) While customizing lessons to each child’s learning style, I will help your child grow and develop with skill, success, and confidence! My services also include communication with your child’s teacher when needed and debriefing time after each session of objectives achieved. I make learning fun! For your convenience, I will come to your home. In addition, I also provide references of current and past families I’ve tutored for years!

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Linda Chaloult | Pre-Algebra, Algebra I & II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Intro to College Math, ACT & SAT Prep | 6th - 12th grade
(248) 495-5160
Lmchaloult@gmail.com

BA in Mathematics; Master’s in Education. Former teacher and very experienced in the Rochester Schools math curriculum. “With over 15 years of experience tutoring mathematics in the Rochester school district, I have helped students from all levels (regular, honors and accelerated students) significantly raise their math grades and test scores. Everyone’s needs are different, so please feel free to call for consultation on your child’s specific situation.” Flexible hours to accommodate your needs.

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Mario DiBartolomeo | Math: Pre-Algebra, Algebra I & II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Trigonometry | 6th - 12th grade
(248) 219-8591
www.mariosmathtutoring.com


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Mary Jo Caldwell | Reading, Writing, Math, Spelling | K - 8th grade
(248) 496-9038

Former Special Education Para-Educator (15 years). Worked with students with learning disabilities and special needs. Trained in Orton Gillingham Phonics approach to reading and writing skills; SenseAble Reading/Spelling; Everyday Math; Science, and Social Studies. 21+ years tutoring experience.
Marisa Kallie  | Math, Science, Reading, Language Arts | K - 5th grade
(248) 506-6090

Masters in Reading & Language Arts, grades K-12 and a Bachelors in Elementary Education with an endorsement in General Science, grades 6-8. Worked as a permanent substitute teacher with children of various abilities in the Bloomfield Hills School District. Extensive experience working with Every Day Math curriculum (Chicago Math), K-5. Currently tutoring in the Rochester Community School district. Tutoring sessions tailored to the learning style of the student. Willing to make contact with your classroom teacher to keep pace with current instruction and to determine areas that need strengthening.

Meadowbrook Center for Learning  | All Subjects | 6th - 12th grade
(248) 656-3806
Mcl411@sbcglobal.net

We have sixteen tutors that have anywhere from 7-40 years experience. All tutors are either current or former teachers with appropriate degrees and credentials. Our tutors can help with students that need remediation as well as those taking AP classes. Some are special education teachers and all have experience with students that have learning challenges. We also have an occupational therapist. All sessions are 1:1 for an hour. See our page on this Tutor List!

Nancy Young  | English, Writing, ACT/SAT Prep | 6th - 12th grade
(248) 421-8422
504NancyYoung@gmail.com

English, Writing, Grammar; 30+ years teaching experience. Middle school and high school. Michigan State University Bachelor of Arts in English and journalism; Master of Arts in Teaching. Highly qualified in writing, grammar and literature studies; extensive experience in preparation for the English, writing and reading portions of the ACT/SAT college entrance exams. Advanced writing skills for AP U. S. History and AP English.

Nancy Wichar  | English, Writing, Reading, Test Prep | 4th - 12th grade
(248) 656-3028

Certified teacher with BA in English and Speech, Master’s in Education. Experience as a teacher, language arts and curriculum coordinator. I provide strategies for success in writing and reading. Homework completion and study skill techniques are included in my instruction.
Nicole Wilkins  | Math & Reading  | SUMMER ONLY  | K - 5th grade
(586) 747-0600
Niko_w@att.net

Master’s Degree in Reading and Language Arts from Oakland University. Special Education Degree from Central Mich. Univ. Extensive training in Orton Gillingham Method of Reading. Special Ed. Teacher for RCS. 23 years teaching experience. Trained to administer diagnostic evaluations, interpret results, and develop individualized plans to address students’ needs. Willing to tutor in your home. Rates variable depending on location of sessions.

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Paul Shinsky  | All math classes up to & including Pre-Calculus  | 6th - 12th grade
(586) 804-8879

Retired math teacher from Rochester High School. I have been tutoring pretty much my entire career. Contact me for tutoring all year long.

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Preeti Kharod  | Pre-Algebra, Algebra I & II, Pre-Calculus, A.P. Calculus, Geometry, ACT & SAT Prep  | 7th - 12th grade
(248) 656-3137

I have received a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics, Master of Science in Statistics Concentration, and a Diploma in Higher Education. As a retired teacher, I have had 39 years of teaching and tutoring experience. Flexible hours and available 7 days a week!

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Royce Grewer  | All math (including AP Calculus), Statistics (incl. AP), physics (incl. AP) Chemistry (incl. AP), SAT/ACT all subj.  | 6th - 12th grade
(248) 739-5781

There is nothing like competence to cause your child to develop confidence! Help your student have fun and grow confident in school and life by developing their long-term understanding and ability, rather than just helping them survive their coursework and tests! I specialize in student motivation to learn. I am a fully certified middle- and high-school teacher (physics, math, chemistry, special education). How would your student feel about school if becoming competent was easy and fun? Accelerate your young student’s learning to build their confidence now! I help, motivate, and inspire students of all levels, including your AP student. Group rate available. Patient, gentle, and fun :-)
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<td>I am a graduate of Oakland University with a Bachelor’s in Biology and finished Medical School in Poland. Currently, I tutor students in Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Reading and Writing.</td>
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| Stephanie Prosser        | Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus, Calculus | 6th - 12th grade | (248) 285-1054          |
|                          |                                                    |                | slprosser@gmail.com     |
|                          | I have a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh and recently refreshed math through Calculus II at OCC. Along with working in IT Manufacturing Systems, I have experience as a permanent math substitute, and have been working as a volunteer tutor in Pontiac for 2 years. |

| Tom Zara / Zara Tutoring| All levels of Math & Spanish | 6th - 12th grade | (586) 596-2081          |
|                        | All sections of the SAT & ACT | + college level | zaratutoring1@gmail.com |
|                        | **Now Offering English & Science!!!** | | |
|                        | Owner of Zara Tutoring. Highly qualified in Mathematics and Spanish. Taught for 8 years, with the last 6 years being at Adams. I have fifteen years of tutoring experience. I tutor all levels of Math & Spanish and specialize in SAT & ACT support (all sections)—through 1-on-1 sessions as well as small group (2-4 students) classes. Please visit my Facebook page (Zara Tutoring) to see the 75+ five-star reviews from past & current clients who have benefited from my personalized approach. Call or text the phone number above or email to schedule a session! See our ADVERTISEMENT on the Tutor List. |

| Tutor Doctor             | All Ages & All Subjects | K - 12th grade | (248) 990-8584          |
|                        |                       |                | jmcDonnell@TutorDoctor.com |
|                        | 1-1 in-home tutoring services. We help your student fill in the gaps in their knowledge base. All tutors are compassionate and qualified. All tutors are screened and vetted. Free consultations! | | www.tutordoctor.com/troy |
Wade Dobson  | Spanish (I – Advanced Placement), U.S. History  | 6th - 12th grade
(947) 252-1449  | Pre-Algebra and Algebra I |
wwdobson84@gmail.com

Graduate of Oakland University in May 2008 with my BA in History and a Minor in Spanish. I was a Spanish tutor at Oakland University during the 2007-08, 2008-09, and 2009-10 school years. In total I have tutored for 10+ years. Willing to hold tutor sessions at your home.

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Yvonne Cartwright-Calloway  | Math  | K - 8th grade
(248) 736-3793  
yCartwright25@sbc.global.net

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One-on-One/All Levels - All tutoring is individualized to fit the needs of the students. We try to match the right tutor with each student. We help individuals ages four through adult. We address students at every level of education. Our specially trained teachers are able to address various learning styles and challenges.

All subjects including foreign language - All of our staff are qualified and hold appropriate credentials and are masters in their subject area. Most of our tutors are either current or former Rochester teachers who are highly regarded in their field and have years of experience. Foreign languages include Spanish and German.

SAT/ACT Preparation - We offer private as well as small group sessions. Gain confidence by knowing what to expect on the test and practice actual test questions with qualified teachers.

Occupational Therapy - Gross & fine motor coordination sensory integration with a certified occupational therapist.

Handwriting – This class is designed for children ages 4-13. It offers a creative, multisensory approach to help children master the skills of handwriting such as grip, hand-eye coordination, posture and motor planning.

Friendship Skills Class - Designed to help children in grades 2-5 understand and read social cues. Learn how ADHD impacts friendships. Practice taking turns, learn conflict resolution skills, emotional regulation and more. See our website for special dates.

Reading Readiness - Students are prepared for reading when they can read their own name, recite the alphabet, recognize some or all of the letters of the alphabet, correspond some or all of the letters with their correct sound, make rhymes, hold a book upright correctly, recognize that the progression of the print is left to right, top to bottom, echo simple text that is read to the child, recognize that text holds meaning, re-tell a favorite story.

College application essays - College essays can be daunting; let us help them present their best written expression in order to put forth a fantastic impression.

Orton Gillingham trained - A multisensory, sequenced, phonetic program created to helps students use decoding techniques for reading and writing.
Our **TEACHERS** make the difference. Goldstar Enrichment Learning is a learning center unique from any other in the area because it is actually ran by TEACHERS and has a long-term focus of empowering students to learn through small group or one-on-one instruction, with the same approach and learning that teachers exemplify in their own classrooms.

Every session is facilitated by experienced classroom teachers that have extensive knowledge about each of the grade level content expectations, best practice of teaching, and how to differentiate to all types of learners as they do in the classroom.

**GRADES K-8**

**CONTENT AREAS:**
- READING
- WRITING
- MATH
- ADVANCED-PLACEMENT
- PREP
- TECHNOLOGY
- STEM

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Math & English Support with Ashley

- Pre-Algebra
- Algebra 1
- Geometry
- Algebra 2
- Pre-Calculus
- English
- Essay writing

Stacey 🟢 recommends Zara Tutoring
My daughter just recently started geometry tutoring with Ashley, and absolutely loves her. She’s patient, thorough and engaging. And just after a couple of sessions, my daughter has been able to tackle her homework quickly and without struggle. I definitely recommend Ashley and Zara tutoring!

Science Support with Ann

- Biology (General, Honors, AP)
- Physics (General, Honors, AP)
- Chemistry (Funds, General, AP)
- Anatomy & Physiology
- Genetics
- Horticulture
- Physical Science

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I really enjoyed working with Ann because she did not just give me answers but helped me develop a deep understanding of the topic I was working on. She explained concepts in a way I could easily understand. She was both professional and kind. I look forward to working with her this year.

SAT/ACT Support with Tom

- 1-on-1 support
- Small group (2-4 students) classes

Kristen 🟢 recommends Zara Tutoring
We had a great experience with Zara Tutoring! My daughter enjoyed the small group setting and thought Tom did an excellent job preparing her for the SAT!

Debbie 🟢 recommends Zara Tutoring
My daughter’s ACT score went up 5 points after tutoring with Zara Tutoring. Enough said!

Shelley 🟢 recommends Zara Tutoring
Very professional and organized. My son improved 5 points in math on the ACT after 3 sessions. Time well spent!

Centrally located at Tienken & Rochester Rd, between Papa Joe’s & Sir Pizza.

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