

The tutoring program at Sheffield Elementary is primarily an after school program. We had attempted to bring on tutors to service students during the day, however we were not able to get enough tutors to commit to the program for the number of students eligible.

As a result, we are offering an abbreviated version of the daytime program with two tutors and offer a full after school program, keying in on math concepts. The after school program services the remainder of the students who qualified for math remediation.

During the day, the two tutors assist students within their classroom as the teacher instructs the class with the content of the lesson. The tutor then offers students small group remediation that directly reinforces the lesson that has been taught and then offers students activities and drill specifically keying on concepts in which the students are weak and yet must, according to the state, show competency on the PSSA exam in the spring.

Teachers and tutors work collaboratively to determine the areas of strength and weakness so that the individual instruction focuses directly on the areas in which the student must work to improve.

With the support of the tutors, classrooms teachers have been able to key in on areas of need and utilize the expertise of additional adult support to ensure students are given numerous opportunities to work on problem areas in their journey to achieve proficiency on the state mandated exam.