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The mission of Lake Wales Charter Schools, Inc. is to bring the best of public education to our community by providing innovation and choice within a continuous pre-school through postsecondary curriculum so that each child recognizes the benefits of life-long learning, constructive citizenship and personal happiness.

The Lake Wales Charter Schools, Inc. is an equal opportunity institution for education and employment.

Dear Parent:

Your child's school receives federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state achievement standards. **Polk Avenue Elementary** has not met these standards in **reading** for **two** consecutive years. Your child may be eligible to receive **free tutoring** though the Supplemental Educational Services (SES) program for the **2011-2012** school year.

How did my child qualify?

Students who are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch and attend Title I schools that failed to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for two or more consecutive years are eligible for these services.

What is Supplemental Educational Services?

SES is a federal program under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, reauthorized as No Child Left Behind (NCLB) that offers free tutoring to eligible students.

Tutoring is offered in reading/language arts, mathematics, or science. This tutoring takes place outside of the regular school day by state-approved SES providers. After you learn more about each of the providers, please choose the provider that can best meet the needs of your child. Tutoring will start by October 15, 2011.

How do I apply?

First, choose a provider for your child from the attached list of approved providers. To help you choose, we have enclosed a chart with questions to ask providers, called "Choosing an SES Provider."

Then, complete the attached application form and list the providers in the order of your preference. We will try to assign your child to your first choice. If your first choice is not available, your child will be assigned to your second or third choice.

You must return the **Lake Wales Charter Schools SES Application Form** on or before September 7, 2011 to one of the following locations:

- **Polk Avenue Elementary**
- **SES Provider Fair; and**
- **Mail to Lake Wales Charter School office at PO BOX 3309, Lake Wales, 33559-3309**
- **Deliver to the LEA office at 151 E Central Avenue.**

The LEA will give priority to the lowest achieving of the low-income students if there are not enough funds to offer services to all eligible students whose parents request the services.

How can I learn more?

Please come to our scheduled Provider Information Fair to be held at **Lake Wales High School** on August 1, 2011 from 5:00-7:00 PM. You can meet with providers and talk about the program that may best meet your child's needs. You can also find more information about SES on our Web site at: lwcharterschools.com.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact April Barnhardt at (863) 678-4211 or Chandra Johnson at **(863)-638-1010**.

Sincerely,

Jesse Jackson

Attachments: Application Form
Tutoring Provider Directory
Choosing an SES Provider