

*This is a report card created by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE). Report cards are made for each company that tutored students during the 2010-2011 school year, in the program named Supplemental Education Services (SES).*

*The purpose of report cards is to give parents information to help them choose an SES tutor for their children in the coming school year. SES is a free tutoring program.*

## ***How Higher Ground Program Explains Their Tutoring Program, in Their Own Words:***

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*The MDE has not edited this description.*

Since 2005 Higher Ground Program has gained recognition in the State of Michigan in raising the academic achievement levels of students from elementary through 12th grade. Through our nationally recognized, researched-based curriculum (Triumph, Coach Series; which is aligned with Michigan Benchmarks) we tutor students in Mathematics, English/Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies. Higher Ground Program received a B+ grade from the State of Michigan in 2007-2008. The Key components of our program are (1) We employ Certified and Highly-qualified Tutors (2) A strong emphasis is placed on the individual needs of each student by utilizing small classroom settings; we place teacher-assistants in classrooms with students with special needs; we allow parents/students to create flexible schedules (3) We measure student progress by giving: student pre-tests; individual student learning plans; bi-weekly progress reports; and parent/tutor meetings as needed. Free transportation provided in most cases.

### ***About This State-Approved Program:***

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Subject Areas: English, Mathematics

Grades Served: K-12

Estimated Hours of Tutoring Per Student: 30

Number of Students to Be Served: 20 - 2500

Student-Teacher Ratios:

- Classroom: 1 teacher per 5 students
- Computer-based: 1 teacher per 8 students
- Online Instruction: Not available

Instructing in the Use of the English Language:

Yes

Instructing Students With Disabilities:

No

Offers Transportation: At select sites only

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### ***Places of Service:***

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Community Center, LEA Facility, Place of Business, Place of Religious Worship, Student's Home

Each district decides which tutoring company is allowed to work at the school building.

In 2011-2012, this company can serve students from these areas:

- Numerous in Genesee, Macomb, Oakland, Saginaw, and Wayne counties. Contact provider for details.

***Parent and Teacher Satisfaction:***

- Number of teachers asked to participate in 2010-2011 survey: 161
- Number of parents asked to participate in 2010-2011 survey: 377

	<b>This Tutoring Company</b>	<b>Statewide Average</b>
Percent of parents who were satisfied with the tutor <i>This is based on 26 survey responses.</i>	69%	81%
Percent of teachers who agreed the tutor positively impacted students' learning <i>This is based on 21 survey responses.</i>	43%	49%
Overall grade that parents gave to the tutor <i>This is based on 26 survey responses.</i>	B	B
Grade based on what teachers said about changes in the tutored students' classroom performance <i>This is based on 21 survey responses.</i>	B	C

***Student Academic Achievement:***

**Impact of Tutoring on 2010 Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) Scores**

<b>Math</b>			<b>English Language Arts</b>		
<i>Grade Level</i>	<i>Number of Student Scores</i>	<i>Performance Rating</i>	<i>Grade Level</i>	<i>Number of Student Scores</i>	<i>Performance Rating</i>
3	20	C	3	21	C
4	14	C	4	14	C
5	15	C	5	14	C
6	7	<10	6	7	<10
7	21	C	7	13	C

In the table above, "<10" means that fewer than 10 students were served for this subject/grade and results are suppressed to protect the confidentiality of students' information. The analysis of MEAP scores is based on students served in the 2009-2010 school year.

***Overall:***

Overall Grade in 2011: C+  
Overall Grade in 2010: C

*Overall grades are based on student standardized test scores, and survey results from parents and teachers. For many tutoring companies, few surveys were completed. Parents are asked to keep that in mind when reviewing this report card.*

*For details on how ratings are calculated, [click here.](#)*