

Get Smart Consulting

Overall Rating: D

Overall Rating in 2007: Not available

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Program Information:

Program Description as Provided by Get Smart Consulting: Get Smart Consulting promotes the incorporation of hands-on experiences. We encourage tutors to use a Learning-Focused approach, utilizing graphic organizers and writing to promote comprehension. This approach has proven highly effective with varying populations. Get Smart Consulting works with the parent/school to ensure the instructional goals are in-line with areas of concern. Interviews will be conducted with parents and school representatives, previous school testing and our pre-test results will be analyzed. Parents and teachers will be contacted on a regular basis to better address student academic gaps. On-going benchmark testing will be utilized to determine content retention and the need for re-teaching. The program is flexible and accessible to meet the needs of the parents. Services are provided at school, and community locations. Tutoring may be conducted 2-3 days per week including weekends for one to four hours.

The program description was created by the provider and has not been edited by the Michigan Department of Education.

Number of Students Served in 2007-2008: 44 Offers Transportation: No English Language Learner: Yes Students With Disabilities: Yes Place(s) of Service: Community Center, Some Schools as Selected by the District(s), Place of Religious Worship	Subject Areas: English, Mathematics Grades Served: K-10 Estimated Hours of Tutoring Per Student: 30 Number of Students to be Served: 25 - 400 Student-Teacher Ratios: <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom: 1 teacher per 5 students <input type="checkbox"/> Computer-based: Not available <input type="checkbox"/> Online instruction: Not available
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Performance Information:

Consumer Satisfaction

Type of Rater	Number* of People Completing a Survey	Satisfaction Rating	This Provider's Rating	Statewide Average
Parents	4	Percent of parents who were satisfied with this tutor	50%	78%
	4	Average overall letter grade from parents	B	B
Teachers	13	Constructed letter grade from teachers for effects on classroom performance	E	C
	13	Percent of teachers who agreed this tutor positively impacted students' learning	15%	41%

*For many tutors, the number of surveys completed is very low. Readers should consider the number of responses when drawing conclusions about any provider.

Academic Achievement: There are limited or no data available on the basis of which to assess this provider's impact on academic achievement.

2008-2009 Service Areas (Limited to Applicable Districts):

Detroit City School District

How the Statistics Were Calculated:

Consumer satisfaction data is from a mail survey of parents and an online survey of teachers concerning students receiving supplemental education services in the 2007-2008 school year.

- Parent satisfaction statistics are based on responses to the question, "Overall, are you satisfied with this tutor?" Parents could respond "yes," "no," or "not sure."
- Parent letter grades are based on averaged responses to the question, "What overall grade would you give your child's tutor?" with response options of "A - Excellent," "B - Good," "C - Average," "D - Poor," or "E - Failing."
- The teacher letter grade for effects on classroom performance is from responses to seven questions about students' classroom performance. An average across all items (excluding items with no response) was calculated for each provider and the top 20% of scores were coded as "A," the next 20% were coded as "B," and so on through "E."
- The rating of teachers' perceptions of provider impact on student learning is based on responses to the agree-disagree question, "This tutor is positively impacting this student's learning." Responses of "agree" or "strongly agree" are considered.

Impact on the MEAP score is based on a hierarchical linear regression analysis of students receiving SES in the 2006-2007 school year compared to a control group matched to SES recipients based on 2006 MEAP score, economic disadvantage, special education status, limited English proficiency status, and former limited English proficiency status. The analysis controlled for the effects of students' schools and the 2006 MEAP score.

The overall grade is a weighted average of the consumer satisfaction and academic achievement data.

Additional information is available upon request from the Michigan Department of Education.