

LEARNING TOGETHER

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Parents, tutors, and students all working together help students succeed! Find resources to support each other this month below.

Parents, We Need To Hear From You!

Parents, would you consider offering feedback in a one-hour virtual, evening Zoom meeting in March or April? The feedback you provide about your Tutoring Chicago experience will help us plan for next year.

If chosen, **you'll be eligible to receive a free Amazon gift card** in exchange for participating. Please fill out an interest form [here](#).

Understanding Loss While Recognizing Gains

"No adult alive right now fully understands what it means to be a student in school at this moment..." wrote one teacher recently. In this [article](#) examining learning loss, she outlines questions to ask about how students are feeling, how school is going, and what they want adults to know.

As parents, educators, and tutors we've all heard a lot about "learning loss." We're reflecting alongside you on how best to address it holistically and what remote learning has taught us about what students really need to succeed.

The article may inspire your own conversations and help you balance all that was lost this year with the positives of how your student has grown and what she/he has gained.

New High School Test Prep Class For 7th Graders

This spring, 7th grade students may choose to take the NWEA MAP test, which is used to apply for many high school programs. We're partnering with [Test Prep Chicago](#) to offer some 7th grade students a chance to improve their scores at discounted rates. If you're interested, fill out the form below by March 10th and we'll send more details.

- 8 week course for \$25 (normally \$465)
- 1 day bootcamp for \$20 (normally \$145)

[Click Here For Interest Form](#)

Student Spotlight on 7th Graders



Check out [this list](#) of 7th grade students who had 100% attendance or progressed in math or reading this month here. Please take time to celebrate your student's accomplishments with him/her.

Meet Malia and Rachel

"Malia and I clicked from night one, even though we were meeting on a computer screen," says Rachel, a Tutoring Chicago tutor. "She's bright and bubbly and eager to learn."

Malia, started off the year reluctant and unsure of herself when working on math. Together, with the support of her mom and tutor, Malia made incredible progress. Malia improved her grade from a low C to a high B, and received the "Most Improved In Math" award in her class. Way to go Malia!!



"Malia never wanted to miss a tutoring session!" says Myla, Malia's mom. "They were a great team this year and made major strides!"

"Through repetition, varied practice techniques, and constant celebration of improvements, I have seen Malia's confidence and ability grow every week," adds Rachel. "After seeing Malia's teacher recently assess her at grade level instead of below, I cannot express enough how proud I am of our hard work together. Only the most resilient not only stay engaged during remote learning, but also push themselves to improve."

Thank you for sharing your progress, Malia, Myla and Rachel. We are celebrating alongside you and can't wait to see what you do next!

Learning At Home And School

CPS In-Person Learning

This week, CPS offered K-5th grade students the opportunity to return to in-person learning. 6th - 8th grade students may return March 8th. Parents and tutors, if your student opted into the hybrid in-person learning option, please communicate any scheduling changes or

New Learning Tips!

Congrats to all the tutors who just completed their Winter Tutor Training video series!

Parents, if you're working with your child at home and want some extra resources, the same videos tutors used are available to you [here](#).

adjustments to homework format directly.

Tutoring Chicago will continue tutoring remotely for the rest of the school year.

They cover a wide range of topics like tips for helping your child sound out words, understand math concepts, and more.

Mark Your Calendars



March 29th - 31st: No tutoring sessions (CPS Spring Break)

May 24th - 26th: Last tutoring sessions for all programs

Find your full parent calendar on the [parent resource page](#).

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