### George Mason University

#### 2024-2025 Teacher Information



## **Tutors-to-Teachers** T2T Tutoring Tips for Teachers

## TIPS FOR TEACHERS TO HELP STUDENTS HAVE A SUCCESSFUL TUTORING EXPERIENCE

Tutoring can be viewed as an extension of the classroom, where students get extra time to practice their learning skills and content knowledge.

Despite student tutoring occurring outside of the classroom, teachers can play a role in helping students find success during their tutoring sessions. Below are five tips for teachers to help students have a successful tutoring experience.





#### TIP 1: UNDERSTAND STUDENT NEEDS

- Attend to areas where students can improve their learning
- Note skills and strategies students could use during learning tasks
- Acknowledge areas of personal interest students have



#### TIP 2: HELP CREATE A SUPPORTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- If receiving online tutoring at school, ensure students have their powered device, headphones, and materials such as paper and pencil as needed
- If receiving online tutoring at home, encourage students and parents to provide a quiet space for tutoring if possible, and have necessary resources available



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"Self-regulation is not a mental ability or an academic performance skill; rather it is the selfdirective process by which learners transform their mental abilities into academic sk.ill."

-Barry Zimmerman

#### TIP 3: SUPPORT STUDENT SELF-REGULATION SKILLS

- Foster the belief in students that they can successfully engage in learning
- Tell students that they can grow and succeed academically
- Allow time prior to learning tasks for students to set goals and select strategies
- Help students self-monitor while learning
- Provide time for self-reflection after learning tasks



# TIP 4: VIEW TUTORING AS A COLLABORATION AMONG TEACHERS, TUTORS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS/CAREGIVERS

- Discuss ways to enhance the tutoring experience and support student learning
- Communicate with tutors about student strengths
- Share student work outcomes with parents/caregivers and tutors
- Review student progress with tutors



## TIP 5: RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE STUDENT SUCCESS

- Acknowledge student strengths
- Remind students of their wins
- Provide space for students to enjoy the results of their hard work