

To the Parents/ Guardians of: _____

Your 8th grade student will be taking the Science TAKS test on Thursday May 1, 2008. Your student took a practice benchmark at the beginning of the second semester. They were given this test to allow us to have a better idea of what areas we need to address in class.

We want to see your student succeed on the TAKS test and in Science class, so we are going to be offering tutoring groups before and after school. These tutoring sessions are optional, but highly suggested. If your student is not able to make it to any of the sessions, but is still interested in getting help, please have them talk to their Science teacher and we can arrange for tutoring at a different time. Please encourage your student to use this opportunity to help advance their knowledge of science.

Our goal is to help all students succeed on the TAKS test and in Science. This tutoring will also help prepare them for high school. We will be working on science topics and test taking strategies.

Listed below are the days of the tutoring sessions and what topics will be covered. All morning session will be held in Mrs. Hall's room C10 from 7:15 am to 7:45 am and all afternoon session will be held in Mrs. Fuller's room D1 from 3:20pm - 3:50pm.

- o Thursday April 17, 2008 - Objective 5: Earth and Space Systems
- o Monday April 21, 2008 - Objective 4: Motion, Forces, & Energy
- o Wednesday April 23, 2008 - Objective 3: The Structures and Properties of Matter
- o Monday April 28, 2008 - Objective 2: Living Systems and the Environment
- o Tuesday April 29, 2008 - Objective 1: The Nature of Science

If you choose for your student to attend a tutoring session, it will be their responsibility to attend. We think that the tutoring session will be very beneficial for each and every student. We will assign your student a detention if they do not attend the tutoring session you sign them up for. If they cannot make a tutoring session that you signed them up for please send a note with your student, e-mail, or call us.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at any time.

Thank you,

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* Please sign the attached sheet and have your student bring it with them to science by Thursday April 17, 2008.

I have read and understand the information letter about the Science tutoring program. I understand that my student will be assigned a detention if they do not attend the tutoring session that I sign them up for. Please check each individual tutoring session that you would like your student to attend: My Student will

_____ *Attend the morning tutoring sessions 7:15 am - 7:45 am*

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_____ *Attend the afternoon tutoring sessions 3:20 pm - 3:50pm*

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_____ *Will need to make other arrangements for tutoring*

_____ *Will NOT attend any tutoring sessions.*

Printed Parent Name

Parent Signature

Printed Student Name

Student Signature