

## **Clarification on the qualification for a person to be a tutor in a Supplemental Educational Services (SES) program.**

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Teacher certification for a tutor in a Supplemental Educational Services program is not a requirement. To quote from the current federal guidance for SES, in answer to question C-21, "Section 200.47(b)(3) of the Title 1 regulations (34 C.F.R. 200.47(b)(3) specifically prohibits an SEA from requiring a provider to hire only staff who meet [the teacher quality provisions of NCLB, Section 1119]."

Consequently, our application for entities wishing to become SES providers, states, "All individuals providing services to children must meet, at a minimum, the requirements for paraprofessionals under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB); that is they have a high school diploma or equivalent and have completed at least two years of study (60 semester hours or 90 quarter hours) at an institution of higher education, or have obtained an associate's degree or higher." (Section III, Item H "Qualification of Instructional Staff").