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Teacher's Guide to Peer Tutoring

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# Peer Tutor Student Handbook

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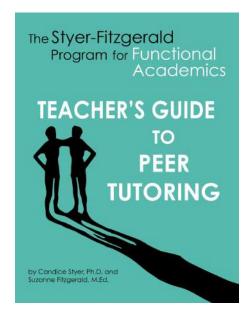
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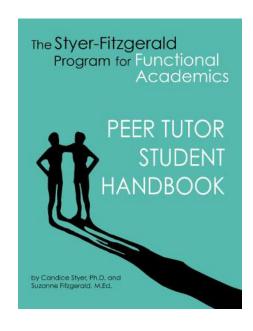




#### THE TEACHER'S GUIDE TO PEER TUTORING

**Teacher's Manual** - A successful peer tutoring program in special education classrooms depends on teachers recruiting dedicated and dependable students who have positive attitudes and the desire to help others. Once peer tutors are selected, teachers must then provide training, monitor progress, manage schedules, address challenges, and evaluate the peer tutors' efforts. This guide together with the Peer Tutor Student Handbook are designed to help teachers develop and maintain a successful and mutually rewarding peer tutor program.

**Peer Tutor Student Handbook** - Peer tutors have the ability to make a positive influence in the lives of their peers with disabilities. The Peer Tutor Student Handbook will provide the resources and training needed to make their time in the special education classroom mutually beneficial.



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Peer Tutor Application						
Date:	-					
Name:		Grade:				
List two references of people	who know you wel	l, such as teachers, friends, couns	selors, etc.			
Name of Reference	Phone Nur	nber Relationship to	You			
1						
2						
Briefly tell why you are interest academics program.	sted in becoming a	peer tutor and working with a life	skills/functional			
Briefly describe any experient tutor in a life skills/functional a		that might be helpful to you in a p	position as a peer			
Which of your current elective	a classes would voi	u prefer to drop in order to be a pe	or tutor?			
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Please present a Peer Tutor Reference form to each of two teachers who know you well.  These may be current teachers or teachers you have had in the past.						
Student Signature	Date	Parent Signature	Date			



# **Grade Requirements**

### To Maintain an "A"

- Spend time with a special education student, three times a term, outside of class time. This can be done in school settings.
- Keep a weekly record using "My Peer Tutor Journal" found in the back of this Handbook. Write about your experiences as a peer tutor working with special education students. Turn in the journal at least three times per semester. The first due date is \_\_\_.
- Educate at least one of your peers about disabilities. Explain to the special education teacher how you accomplished this.

#### To Maintain a "B"

- Spend time with a special education student, two times a term, outside of class time.
- Keep a weekly record using "My Peer Tutor Journal" found in the back of this Handbook. Write about your experiences as a peer tutor working with special education students. Turn in the journal at least three times per semester. The first due date is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
- Educate at least one of your peers about disabilities. Explain to the special education teacher how you accomplished this.

#### To Maintain a "C"

- Work with special education students in class.
- Keep a weekly record using "My Peer Tutor Journal" found in the back of this Handbook. Write about your experiences as a peer tutor working with special education students. Turn in the journal at least three times per semester. The first due date is \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- Educate at least one of your peers about disabilities. Explain to the special education teacher how you accomplished this.

When asked what he'd gained from his peer tutor experience, Joel said, "A bunch of great friends and life experiences I will never forget."

Amanda said, "I became a peer tutor because I've always wanted to work in the special education field and I wanted to gain experience and joy from working with great kids."