

Central Arkansas Library System

COUNT UP

math tutoring program



COUNT UP is a free after-school math tutoring program for K-12 students in Central Arkansas. Through this program, created by the Central Arkansas Library System and supported by an ESSER grant, experienced tutors are matched with students to provide personalized support and guidance.

Our program offers one-on-one tutoring tailored to students, both for assistance with math homework and more intensive work on building math skills. We also offer virtual, drop-in, group tutoring in a college-style “office hours” format on weekday afternoons. Students can join these sessions just once or as often and for as long as they like to ask questions, work independently, and learn with peers.

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VISION

Count UP aims to establish and nurture a diverse and mutually supportive community of K-12 students and tutors who achieve mathematics growth and are empowered to explore and pursue their academic and personal goals.

OUR APPROACH

Student-driven • Standards- and research-based • Engaging and adaptable • Positive, creative, and focused on student growth

VALUES

- We provide an engaging, open, adaptable, and safe learning environment.
- We are patient, respectful, and creative learners and educators.
- We recognize and nurture the diversity of talents, perspectives, and needs of our learners and educators.
- We cultivate collaboration, innovation, and continual growth both internally and with external partners.

OUR PROGRAM

- One-on-one tutoring: personalized assistance for homework, building foundational math and study skills, and exploring student interests.
- 24/7 access to the Brainfuse HelpNow virtual learning platform, offering homework help, practice tests, fun games and challenges, and more.
- Access to supplemental resources, including assistance for families in using digital tools (English and Spanish), wi-fi and devices, college and career preparation, and food support.
- Weekly progress reports for parents including information on what students have achieved and what areas need more practice.

CONNECTIVITY & ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

CALS Children's Library & Learning Center has Chromebooks and hotspots available for families without access to high-speed internet or devices to participate in tutoring and eLearning. And thanks to support from the ESSER grant and our relationships with local partners, we are able to share resources that go beyond academic support: free wi-fi, technical support, and additional tutoring resources (Little Rock School District and AR Kids Read).

Please contact countup@cals.org for more information about these resources.



ELIGIBILITY

- Students must be currently enrolled in K-12th grade
- Students live in or attend schools in Pulaski and Perry counties
- Students must have access to a computer or tablet with a stable internet connection and a video camera (assistance available as needed)

BRAINFUSE HELPNOW

Brainfuse HelpNow provides on demand, anytime, anywhere eLearning for all ages and levels. HelpNow offers personalized homework help in core subjects (math, reading, writing, science and social studies) including SAT preparation. Live tutors are available online from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. each day for direct assistance. HelpNow will support the new Count UP math tutoring program but also offers learning assistance in other subjects. Brainfuse HelpNow can be used for free by anyone with a CALS library card or a CALS student tech card.

FOOD SUPPORT

- Grab & Go meals for youth are available at several branches. Visit bemightylittlerock.org to learn more.
- Information about and assistance applying for SNAP benefits are also available.

TRANSPORTATION

Participants in Count UP are eligible for CALS Rides to Reads, which provides free monthly bus passes for Rock Region METRO. Visit cals.org/rides-to-reads-program to apply.

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