

***PAL - Peer Assistance Leader program – Peer Tutoring  
New Program - effective with the 08-09 school year***

We are in the midst of building a peer academic tutoring program that will be implemented next school year. We're calling it our *PAL- Peer Assistance Leaders program*. This summer we will train over 100 tutors who will then work in our various resource centers, in classrooms, before or after school, and, if they are interested, at Grove Junior High.

Following training, tutors will work under the ongoing supervision and support of some of our teachers and school administrators. Tutors will receive credit for their work, and participation in this program will be noted on the student's transcript. We will be including a description of the program with our school profile, which will accompany every college application. Exceptional leaders will be given a letter of recommendation from the administration for use in their college applications. Each year we will ask the newly forming *Elk Grove Parent Teacher Council* to sponsor one or more college scholarships for exceptional Peer Assistance Leaders.

Elk Grove High School PALs must be in strong academic standing, have an interest in helping others be successful at school, be able to form supportive relationships with other students, model excellent habits of work, participate in Peer Assistance Leader training, and be willing to help tutor a minimum of three periods or three hours each week of the semester they are enrolled in the program. PALs can enroll in the program for one semester or for two semesters. Students will be participating in lieu of an open period, as one of their electives, or before or after school.

Peer Assistance Leaders will be placed in any one or more of the following areas:

- Math / Science Resource Room
- English / Writing Center
- Social Studies / Foreign Language Resource Room
- Freshman Resource Room
- English as a Second Language support (in a class or in their Resource Center)
- Support in targeted classes such as special education, preparatory (remedial), limited English proficiency classes
- Before or after school tutoring with an individual student or a group of two or three students
- Tutoring at Grove Junior High School

If your child is interested in becoming a tutor, or if you have questions about the program, contact either our Principal, Dr. Nancy Holman, at [nancy.holman@d214.org](mailto:nancy.holman@d214.org) or our Associate Principal for Instruction, Mr. David Travis, at [david.travis@d214.org](mailto:david.travis@d214.org).