TIME FOR TUTORING

Two years ago, the tutoring center was started by Mrs. Ramirez to help students with their schoolwork. She was troubled by the growing achievement gap between the minority and majority groups within the school and sought to change that. However, teachers did not have the time to tutor their students after school. The idea of student tutors was devised, and talented students were then chosen to help out. Since its creation, it has been very successful. Many students have walked away understanding concepts better, and teachers have commented on how much it has benefitted their students. During the week leading up to finals, special tutoring sessions were organized to help prepare for exams. For two days, multiples classes were tutored after school for an hour. Tutors guided those who attended by helping fill out study guides and

tutored after school for an hour. Tutors guided those who attended by helping fill out study guides and answering any questions. Math has been the most tutored subject, so it comes as no surprise that it is the most improved subject as well. Not only is the tutoring center somewhere to receive academic aid, it is also a place to relax and spend time with friends. Anyone is welcome to go to the student lounge throughout the day, not just tutors. It has

been an enormous encouragement to students to improve their grades, and has been very successful at doing so. The amount of students seeking out tutoring has increased by 20 fold within a year, with hopes of even more growth next year.



Olivia Tuioti-Mariner gets stanky in the corner of the tutoring center. $\ensuremath{\mathsf{I}}$



SMILE FOR THE CAMERA

Jude Chikh-Ali flashes her smile while putting up piece







NAPTIME

Adrian Martinez takes his daily nap on the beanbags.

TIME TO STUDY

These girls study for their finals while enjoying the snacks provided by Mrs. Ramirez and the staff

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