

Leveling the Educational Playing Field via Peer Tutoring

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The Problem

Low income student from FUHSD

Works every day after school

Needs academic reinforcement

Can't afford tutoring in the Bay Area



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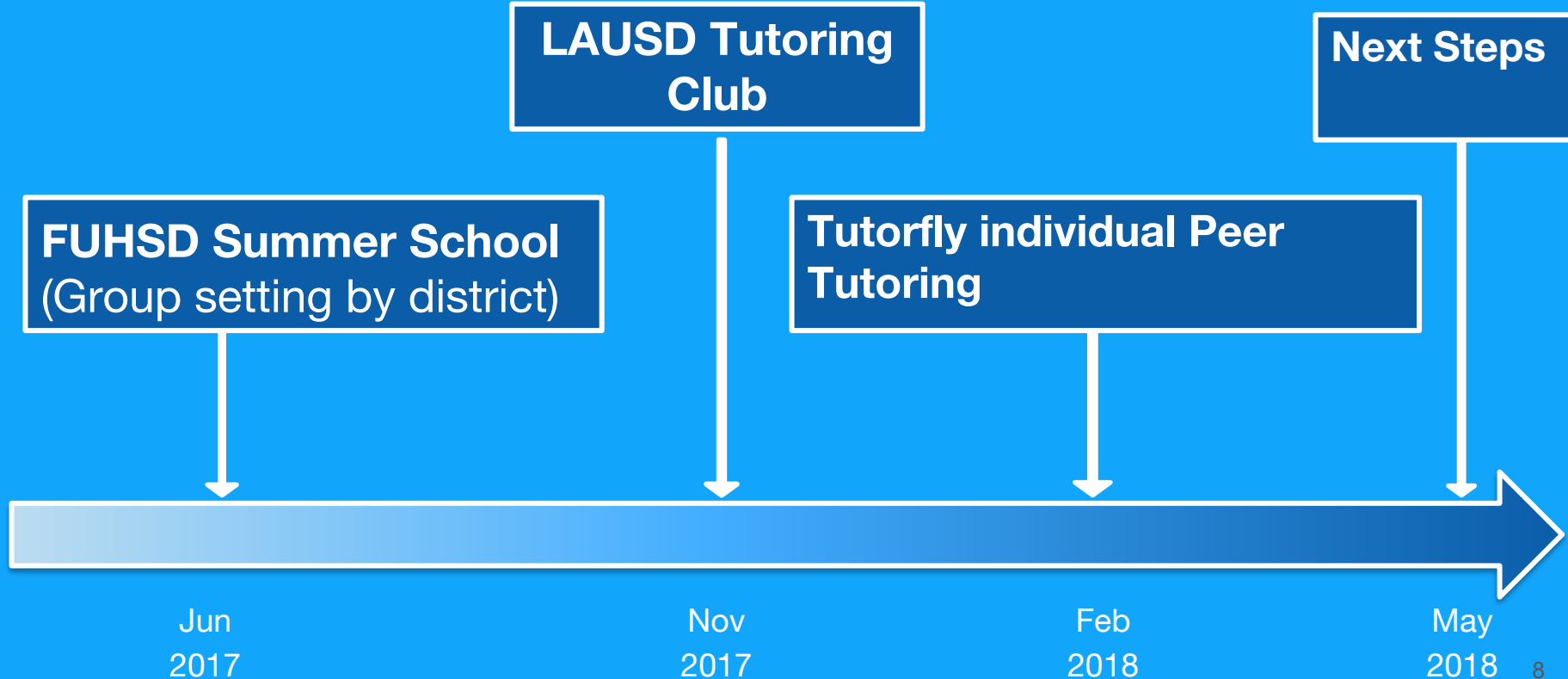
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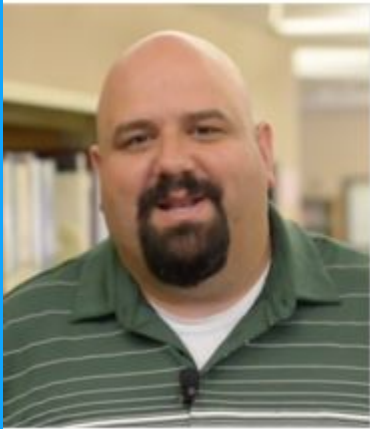
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FUHSD Summer School

- 32:1 -> 8:1
- 3x as many questions asked
- 20% more students passed the class



"Yes. It has been a very valuable resource for our students and honestly, we could probably use the help more than an hour a day. It could be that fatigue sets in for the second half of the school day but I would say our most productive hour is when the tutors are here." - Matt Wright, Teacher

LAUSD Tutoring Club

- Goal: Prevent Summer School Attendance
- Tutoring Club: Upperclassmen tutoring Underclassmen
- Commitment from Westchester High
- Need more data for implementation

Online Peer Tutoring



averaged

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letter grade
increase

\$12k

in revenue generated

85%

of users
schedule at
least 1 follow up
session

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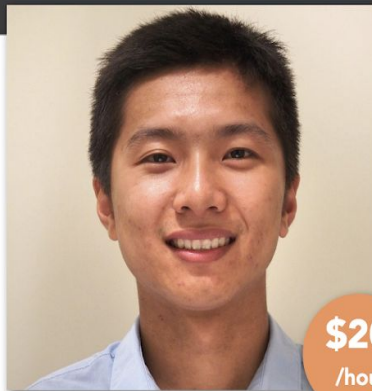
Homestead High School

Math

Course

Reset

Our Recommendation



\$20
/hour

Nathan Smith

Tutor 6 is a junior at Homestead High School. He is a member of Chess Club and recently became president of FBLA. Tutor 6 is an excellent communicator and uses that to help other student solve problems in a variety of creative ways. After high school, Tutor 6 hopes to study Biology at a 4 year university.

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Subjects



Travel



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Next Steps

- 1) Schools to subsidize peer tutoring for lower income individuals
 - “Accessibility”
- 2) Partner with School Organizations such as CSF/NHS
 - “Sustainability”

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Mission Statement

Next Level Education Readiness



Vision Statement

To make educational assistance outside of the classroom possible, regardless of socioeconomic status, race, or resources available.

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