

After School Tutoring Programs

School	Stella Hills Elementary School
Address	3800 Jewett Ave., Bakersfield, California 93301
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Principal	Diane Whitmore
Contact Person	Christy Nichols
Schedule	Monday - Friday
Grade Levels	1– 5

Program Description

Our After School Program through the Bakersfield Recreation Department includes some time for homework and academic tutoring, along with a variety of craft and athletic opportunities. This is not supervised by school personnel, however materials are given to the program by the school. The program runs Monday through Friday, beginning after school and running until 4:30 p.m. (3:30 p.m. on Thursdays)

Hills School also provides an after school tutoring program for students who have not yet achieved grade level academic levels of performance. Supplementary materials and resources at the student's instructional level provide the basic curriculum for tutoring. The school "bookroom" carries a wide variety of books at many reading levels and with a wide range of interests. The focus is on improving reading skills in order to master curriculum and state and district standards. Students in grades 1st – 5th grades are tutored in groups of 8 to 10 after school four days a week.

In addition, Hills School is part of the Community Reading Program as organized by the Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office. Teams comprised of representatives from the Bakersfield Californian, Department of Probation, and the City Council visit the school and tutor students for one hour per week during the regular school day.

How does my child qualify for this program?

All students in grades 1 through 5 are welcome in the program. Applications are taken on a first come, first serve basis by the Bakersfield Recreation Department. The first 80 students are admitted and the remaining students are put on a waiting list until an opening occurs.

Students are recommended for the After School Tutoring program by their individual teachers, based upon academic performances in the classrooms, as well as on the SAT/9 scores.

Community tutors are placed in second grade classrooms and are used to help tutor small groups or one-on-one, as the teachers deem appropriate.