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Stamford Public Education Foundation Launches TutorU to Help Students Succeed After Struggling With Distance Learning

STAMFORD, CT, May 13, 2021 — Many students in Stamford Public Schools have struggled academically during the pandemic and need help reinforcing core skills and building on what they have learned this past year. The Stamford Public Education Foundation (SPEF) today announced the launch of TutorU, a program staffed by professional tutors who establish individualized learning plans to ensure students have mastered grade-level milestones and are set up for success in the fall. Parents can purchase four- or eight-week packages, comprised of two, one-hour sessions each week.

According to Matt Quinones, "TutorU is a great choice for parents because SPEF has been providing tutoring in the schools for seven years, our program is aligned with the district's core standards in English and math, and our pricing makes tutoring services more accessible to families."

TutorU provides students in grades 2 through 12 with one-on-one tutoring in English and math twice a week. It is aligned with the Stamford Public Schools curriculum and can be especially helpful for students who are transitioning into middle or high school in September. In addition to academic instruction, each student's individualized learning plan includes goal setting, improving organizational skills, time management, and developing good study habits. For maximum family convenience, summer sessions can take place at home, at a community location, or virtually and are available Monday through Saturday.

Julie, a SPEF Academic Support Coach, sees the summer as an opportunity to catch-up or move ahead on academic studies, "With close to 20% of our student population missing important class time this year, investments in tutoring initiatives that reduce learning losses are more critical than ever."

To learn more about SPEF's TutorU summer program and to register your child, please visit SPEF's website at www.spefct.org/tutoru.

About SPEF: Founded in 1996, the mission of the Stamford Public Education Foundation (SPEF) is to deliver educational programs and resources that elevate student, educator, and parent success by bridging the gap between needs in the Stamford Public Schools and resources in our community. The Foundation strives to enable each and every student in the Stamford Public Schools to graduate high school and enter college, career training, or fulltime employment ready to succeed. For further information, visit www.spefct.org.