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It was helpful because I improved my math grade and now I am working hard so I can get a lot better. Something I would change is working with my math tutor more than one day a week.

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— Math Rules! student



## MATH RULES!

Math Rules! targets elementary grade students who are struggling in math. Two to four students are matched with a volunteer math mentor who tutors them in the classroom while math is being taught. Volunteers work under the teacher's direction and motivate students to strengthen their math performance.

Within the Boston Public Schools, there are comparatively few large-scale efforts devoted exclusively to building math skills, and most of these services take place after school. Noted math educator and author Greg Tang stresses the importance of intervening to teach strategic thinking in math from second grade onward.

Volunteers meet with their students one to two hours each week over the academic year, and are encouraged to return and mentor their students for up to three years.

Math Rules! provides a way for students to build solid math skills at a young age so that they will succeed in the subject as it becomes more difficult. At the same time, they build greater self-confidence and really develop a love for the subject of math.

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