



9 tips for launching tutoring programs in your district

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Since the height of the pandemic, K12 schools have looked everywhere for answers surrounding successful, data-driven tutoring programs. Thankfully, pioneering districts shared some of their key takeaways from their tutoring programs in an effort to help other leaders.

A new collection of case studies on tutoring programs from the [Center for Education Market Dynamics](#) showcases the experiences of nine school districts and their process of implementing tutoring initiatives. The authors note that the report isn't a spotlight of the "best" tutoring programs in the country, yet it's an opportunity "to illuminate core lessons learned by people on the ground, for the benefit of others in their shoes," the report reads.

The districts chosen for the study vary dramatically in size from New York City Public Schools' more than one million students to Lenoir City Schools, which is home to a mere 2,517 students across four schools.

What's made evident through the report is that there's no one-size-fits-all approach to tutoring. Each district has implemented its own style to meet the specific needs of its students. Different modes of tutoring include high-impact, on-demand, peer-to-peer and others.

"Growing and strengthening these programs was not just about adding more tutoring hours," the report reads," but also about recognizing the need for new processes and tools as programs grow."

Each district had the opportunity to share its most valuable takeaways from its tutoring initiatives. Leaders were asked to respond to the question, "Knowing what you know now, what would you do differently?" Here's what they said: