



# WEST LUTHERAN International Program

## Tutoring Program

*Several of our current international students could use your tutoring help. In general, they need additional practice using their English and one-on-one opportunities to work on reading pronunciation and comprehension.*

*The ESL program covers the areas listed below. Tutors would be reinforcing and practicing classroom lessons.*

### English proficiency

- Give one to one help with listening to reading and helping with pronunciations
- Help students to gain better comprehension by discussing a passage in an assignment

### Reinforcement of already known content and skills in the setting of a new language

- Guide students with strong academic abilities to use those gifts within the English language and American education system

### Help with understanding the American culture

- Take questions and discuss how to do things when living in the upper Midwest.<sup>1</sup>
- Allow students a place where they can ask personal questions that might be embarrassing in a group setting
- Provide a friendly, helpful face to students who are away from home and parents

### Be a resource for understanding the culture of college applications and admissions

- Though much of this is covered through our formal program, it is helpful to be able to share experiences of helping your own students find a college

### Help with religion assignments and Bible related questions

- Help students find things in their Bibles and answer some basic questions
- Practice reading and interpreting classroom material in a one on one setting *West often provides international students with their first exposure to Christianity*

Please contact the school office or Steve Merten [smerten@wlhs.net](mailto:smerten@wlhs.net) or 763-509-9378 if you would like to be a part of the program. Please include your availability (daily, once week, etc.; beginning of the day, around lunch time, end of the school day, after school) as well as best contact information. An informational meeting will be scheduled within the next two weeks, but help can be used immediately.

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<sup>1</sup> Though this program is taking place in Minnesota, participants will be exempt from explaining the punchline of Ollie and Lena jokes.