

Borland Educational

"To teach is to create possibility; to learn is to discover who we are."

Dear Parents and Students,

Thank you for allowing me to introduce myself and my educational services to you.

My name is Chris Borland. As a mathematics and academic skills coach in private practice since 1978, it has been my pleasure and privilege to have mentored well over 1000 students of all ages from dozens of schools in the San Francisco Bay Area and beyond, having conducted more than 20,000 tutorial sessions during this time. I am available to instruct individuals and groups in all levels of elementary and secondary school mathematics (pre-arithmetic through calculus), preparation for all sections of the SAT, PSAT, ACT, SSAT, HSPT, and SAT Math Subject Tests (Levels 1, 2), and general academic skills (study habits, learning skills, test taking, organization, writing and researching, time and project management, etc.).

It is my firm belief that – with sufficient inspiration, commitment, and support – *all* students can be successful learners. In my work I utilize both Socratic ("leading question") and direct instruction methods, together with specialized techniques and materials I've developed and individually crafted homework assignments, to assist my students in reaching their academic potential and achieving their educational goals and to provide each one with knowledge of their innate capacity to succeed and excel. I've had extensive experience in working with students with special needs (e.g. those with learning differences or disabilities, gifted students, etc.), as well as with those in the general student population. Students meet with me at my offices in Santa Rosa and Sausalito, or at their homes or schools in Sonoma County, Marin County, or San Francisco. My fees range from \$120 to \$180 per hour for private sessions, with discounts of 25-50% per student per hour for small group sessions (depending on location, nature and content of the sessions, group size, etc.). I am also available to travel by special arrangement throughout the greater San Francisco Bay Area, California, the United States, and internationally to work with individuals and groups of all sizes (fees upon request).

In addition, I consult with parents, educators, and others on questions relating to educational technology solutions (e.g. purchase and training in the use of graphing calculators, select computer hardware and software, books and texts, etc.), home schooling, and independent study courses, and maintain a database of educational professionals in private practice, organizations, and other special resources for use in referring my clients to the very best people, groups, and products currently available to meet their needs.

I hope you'll have time to review the enclosed/ attached materials, and to call me, if you have any questions.

I'm looking forward to the opportunity to be of service to you.

Sincerely,



Chris Borland