

Students in grades 6-12 who are having trouble with math or science assignments can find help with just a phone call or computer mouse click.

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology will again this academic year offer free tutoring every Sunday through Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. EST. Hoosier students can call 1-877-ASK-ROSE (1-877-275-7673) and receive personal attention as they work through difficult problems.

Students calling the hotline will need to provide their first name, their school's name and be prepared with necessary materials:

- Homework assignment;
- Textbook (if available);
- Paper;
- Pen or pencil; and
- Calculator (if necessary).

Homework questions can also be submitted online at [www.AskRose.org](http://www.AskRose.org). Responses to online questions are given during the Homework Hotline's hours of operation, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. This program is funded by Lilly Endowment, Inc.

Tutoring is provided by college students who were recommended by their professors. Tutors are chosen based on technical and communication skills. They are trained on how to best answer questions and explain difficult concepts to younger students.

In order to provide help with questions, tutors are armed with copies of state-recommended textbooks and Internet access. While they are not to give students the answers to problems or assignments, tutors will help students analyze questions and come up with solutions.

Teachers may access lesson plans, articles, a summary of Indiana's academic standards and other educational resources when visiting [www.AskRose.org](http://www.AskRose.org).

Thousands of Hoosier students took advantage of this educational resource during the 2009-2010 school year. Homework Hotline tutors answered a record 46,228 calls and conducted 3,405 online tutoring sessions last year. Nearly 80 percent of phone calls to the hotline dealt with math problems.

As we enter a new school year, please remember this great resource providing Hoosier students more tools to help them succeed academically.