



# N<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE TUTORING & TEST PREP.

December, 2014 Newsletter

## Christmas Break

Nth Degree will be closed from Dec. 18 – Jan. 4. I will be out of state and not available for any lessons over the holidays. Lessons will resume Monday, January 5.

## Sunday schedule change

In January, Sunday walk-in hours will be shortened to two hours, 7 – 9 pm. A one-month subscription to Sunday walk-ins will be \$200, just like Tuesdays. A subscription to Sundays and Tuesdays will be \$350.

The 6:00 hour will be opened up for 1-on-1 lessons at the office.

## Available time slots

The following prime-time slots are open for the long term:

Mon 7:00 (house call), Jan – Jun.  
Tue 5:15 (office), Dec – Feb.  
Tue 8:00 – 10:00 (office), Jan – Jun.\*  
Wed 8:30 (house call), Jan – Jun.  
Sun 3:30 (office), Jan – Jun.  
Sun 6:00 (office), Jan – Jun.

\* I would convert the Tuesday evening time slot to an 8:30 – 9:30 house call according to my standard off-hours options. Call to inquire.



## The “Good” List

Hannah of Milken School aced her algebra test on systems of equations!

Hats off to my entire fall-session GRE class, who *averaged* a 20 point improvement on their composite scores!! Noura al-Husseini’s official math score was 14 points higher than her entry diagnostic. Amazing!

And an extra congratulations to our very own Robert Rafii, who passed the CA bar exam and was sworn in as an attorney this month!

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**Next GRE Class**

The next GRE class will run from Jan. 10 – Feb. 14. It will be held over six Saturdays from 12 – 3 pm. Please enroll and order your book at least one week ahead.

**Admin Assistant Wanted**

Now that Robert is licensed as an attorney, he will be looking for more long-term work in the legal field. I will be seeking a new assistant on a private contractor basis. Primary responsibilities will include communicating with clients, scheduling, and billing / bookkeeping for the tutoring and law offices. Wages will be \$15 / hr with an average of 8 hours / week. Must be available business hours. Please let me know if you or someone you know would be interested in part-time work of this nature.

**Dog reminder**

As a professional courtesy, I would like to remind you to please put your dogs in back 15 minutes before our scheduled house call. Otherwise, the barking when I arrive can be a distraction for a good five minutes. And yes, I know, everyone’s dog is an exception, but still ...

**Watch those cancellations!**

I’ve been getting a lot of cancellations in the holiday season. As a reminder, cancellations hurt business and are discouraged by penalties. Everyone is entitled to one free late-notice cancellation per semester. After that, late-notice cancellations are billed to your account. If you accrue three consecutive cancellations, three late-notice cancellations, or any five cancellations in a semester, you lose post-payment privileges for the rest of that

semester and are subject to higher cancellation fees.

The moral of the story is: Please don’t book a lesson unless you are pretty sure you’ll be attending! Before you book recurring lessons for the new Spring semester, check your calendar carefully for holidays, Spring Break dates, and the end of your school year.

My Spring semester dates are Jan. 5 – Jun. 7.



**December rate reminders**

**House calls = \$110 / hr \***  
**Office lessons one-on-one = \$70 / hr \***  
**Walk-in lessons = \$40 / hr**  
**GRE classes = \$450 / 6-weeks**

\* Pre-pay for a \$10 / hr discount



**Happy Holidays!**