

**ACADEMIC
TUTORING**

**TEST
PREP**

**THE
ANDREWS
ADVANTAGE**

**ACADEMIC
SKILLS**

**COLLEGE
ADMISSIONS**

**A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO
ACADEMIC SUCCESS**

OUR STORY

The Andrews Advantage combines the vast knowledge of **Rena Andrews & Phyllis Park** who have 35+ years of combined experience in Academic Tutoring, Test Prep, & College Admissions with the skills of accomplished Academic Coach, **Stephanie Kwong**.

AS A BOUTIQUE COMPANY, YOUR CHILD RECEIVES THE PERSONALIZED ATTENTION THEY DESERVE. YOU AREN'T JUST HIRING A TUTOR WITH US, YOU'RE BUILDING AN EXPERT TEAM DEDICATED TO YOUR CHILD'S HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT.

Together, we address the underlying issues that may keep your child from reaching their academic potential.

We offer a holistic approach that teaches skills not only to succeed in school, but to excel in life!

WORK SMARTER NOT HARDER

WHILE TUTORING INCREASES YOUR CHILD'S UNDERSTANDING, ACADEMIC COACHING RAISES THEIR GRADES BY IMPROVING THE OVERALL QUALITY OF SCHOLASTIC LIFE.

MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, YOUR CHILD IS NOT REACHING THEIR ACADEMIC POTENTIAL FOR REASONS BEYOND NOT COMPREHENDING THE MATERIAL:

- Test anxiety
- Busy schedules
- Weak test taking skills
- Poor organizational skills
- Different learning styles
- Time management
- Life issues
- Learning disabilities
- And the list goes on. . .

ADDRESSING THE UNDERLYING ISSUES LEADS TO BOTH SHORT-TERM PROGRESS AND LONG-TERM SUCCESS.

ACADEMIC COACHING

Academic Coaching tackles the root behaviors that affect learning in order to increase academic performance across the board. By addressing the big picture, not just specific subjects, we can help create new behaviors, habits, and effective studying & learning techniques to improve grades and reduce test anxiety.

While not every student needs a tutor, we haven't met a student who didn't struggle with organization, test anxiety, effective study techniques or balancing school, work, family, friends, sports, and extracurricular activities. An academic coach confronts these issues and works with your child to discover their learning and motivation styles so that they can succeed with any teacher, at any level, in any subject.

An academic coach can offset the need for multiple tutors by targeting specific core skills. When these skills are applied in conjunction with tutoring, your child has more control over their own learning process.

The Academic Coaching program can be broken down into three sets of skills and concepts that students need to learn to be successful in school and in life:

1. Learning and Motivation Styles:
Foundations for Academic Success
2. Winning Mindset
3. Personal Leadership and
Powerful Communication

ACADEMIC TUTORING

Any good tutor could reteach the information in a manner that your child understands, but that is only the beginning. Our tutors are not only experts in the subject matter, but they are also familiar with many school curriculums in the LA area. We understand the rigors of elite schools and what specific teachers expect and demand. We look at the big picture and create the best plan for your child's long-term academic success.

Forbidden phrases are: "I hate," "I can't" and "I don't know." We work hard to increase the confidence of each student so that the most dreaded subjects can become the most appreciated or even enjoyed! We have watched countless students earn the grades they never imagined.

Our goal is to empower your child with tools and techniques that will help them in school and throughout their lifetime.

Some results of our comprehensive tutoring approach include:

- Reducing test anxiety
- Mastering course material
- Discovering their learning style
- Increasing organizational skills
- Learning time management
- Increasing motivation
- Reducing stress
- Using successful study techniques
- Understanding and applying concepts
- Creating effective systems to excel in school
- Earning higher grades & enjoying learning

TEST PREPARATION

A good test prep tutor can relay the information to your child. A better tutor knows and targets the weaker areas while building on your child's strengths. Our experienced tutors develop a customized plan for your child because we know the test inside and out.

However, no matter how good a tutor is, if test anxiety gets a hold of your child, no amount of tutoring can save them.

Our unique program combines the knowledge of test prep veterans with successful test taking skills and strategies to reduce test anxiety and manage time effectively. Your child will have the skills, knowledge, and confidence needed to score their best on test day!

Our comprehensive program begins with an initial consultation and a diagnostic test. The complete program includes:

- Personalized and customized instruction
- Detailed 5-page diagnostic reports
- Official SAT/ACT practice tests
- Confidence building skills
- Time management skills
- Tools for reducing test anxiety
- Curriculum developed by industry veterans

SAT / ACT / PSAT / ISEE / SSAT / SAT SUBJECT TESTS /
AP EXAMS / AND MORE

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS

As the admissions process becomes increasingly competitive, applying to college has turned into a daunting and complicated task. However, with our dedicated team to help guide you from start to finish, it doesn't have to be. Our students have been accepted into California UC's, East Coast Ivies and everything in between. We work with families throughout grades 8-12 on curriculum planning, academic progress, standardized tests timing, extracurricular activities, and summer programs to create a strategic plan for college admissions.

What makes our program distinct is that we first help your child to discover and articulate their unique qualities and personal strengths. We then guide them in crafting powerful applications that exemplify a greater understanding of who they are and what would make their ideal collegiate experience.

The process begins with our Academic Coaches who work on:

- Identifying college preferences
- Developing personal leadership projects
- Improving confidence and interview skills
- Discovering potential majors & career interests
- Building a core skill set to create a strong application

The process continues with our Admissions Consultants who work on:

- Identifying prospective colleges
- Developing / Writing essays and personal statements
- Formulating a college admissions strategy and timeline
- Completing supplemental applications
- Writing / Shaping a brag sheet
- Providing an application checklist
- Ensuring that everything is fully edited and submitted on time

OUR TEAM LEADERS

"IF A CHILD CAN'T LEARN THE WAY WE TEACH,
MAYBE WE SHOULD TEACH THE WAY THEY LEARN."
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RENA ANDREWS, ACADEMIC TUTORING

Rena graduated from Brown University and has been teaching and tutoring for over 12 years. During her time at Brown, she was a test prep tutor as well as a student teacher of Math. Rena was a regular substitute at the Spence School in New York for 5 years, in all subjects and all grade levels, an Honors Geometry Teacher at Loyola High School of Los Angeles and a private tutor since moving to Los Angeles and founding The Andrews Advantage, Inc. She brings many years of knowledge and familiarity with various high school curriculums in the Los Angeles area and experience as an alumni admissions interviewer for Brown University.



PHYLLIS PARK, TEST PREP / ADMISSIONS CONSULTING

Phyllis began her teaching career as an undergraduate student at U.C. Berkeley. As the Master Teacher of a national test-prep company, she taught the classes, trained the teachers and wrote the curriculum for Pre-College programs. With over 12 years of experience, she has helped thousands of students achieve academic success in high school and beyond. In addition to academic tutoring in most subjects, her areas of expertise include SAT, ACT, SAT Subject Tests, AP's, and College Admissions consulting.



STEPHANIE KWONG, ACADEMIC SKILLS COACHING

Stephanie graduated Summa Cum Laude from U.C. Berkeley with a BA in psychology and is a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society. For the past 8 years, Stephanie has been working in personal development to effectively transform the lives of her clients. She has been trained in NLP, certified as a life coach by the Coaches Training Institute, certified as a teen coach by Academic Life Coaching and is an active member of the International Coaches Federation.



TESTIMONIALS

WHILE WE COULD EASILY BOAST ABOUT SCORE AND GRADE INCREASES,
OUR CLIENTS GENERALLY THANK US FOR SO MUCH MORE. . .

"THE ANDREWS ADVANTAGE WAS RECOMMENDED TO US DIRECTLY BY OUR SON'S HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR. ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT STEPS WE MADE AS PARENTS WAS HIRING RENA AND PHYLLIS TO TUTOR OUR SON IN MATH AND HISTORY, PREPARE HIM FOR STANDARDIZED TESTS, AND GUIDE HIM THROUGH THE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS.

OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS, RENA AND PHYLLIS HAVE BECOME PART OF OUR FAMILY, AND THE BEST ACADEMIC ADVISORS AND OLDER SISTERS A YOUNG STUDENT COULD ASK FOR. RENA AND PHYLLIS ARE REMARKABLE FOR THEIR STEADINESS OF PURPOSE, THEIR KEEN OBSERVATION OF A STUDENT'S STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES, THEIR CONSTANT CHEERFULNESS IN PERSON AND APPROACH, AND THE SERIOUSNESS THEY BRING TO THEIR IMPORTANT WORK.

HIGH SCHOOL IS MORE THAN AN ACADEMIC EXERCISE AND THE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS IS MORE THAN A HURDLE TO JUMP OVER. THESE ARE FOUNDATIONAL YEARS AND EVENTS THAT IMPACT A TEENAGER'S LIFELONG LOVE FOR LEARNING AND DIRECTION IN LIFE. WE CERTAINLY SAW AN IMPROVEMENT IN OUR SON'S GRADES AND TEST SCORES. FAR MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE ALSO SAW AN IMPROVEMENT IN HIS SELF-CONFIDENCE, A RENEWED PASSION FOR HIS STUDIES, A DETERMINATION TO FIND HIS PLACE IN OUR WORLD, AND A BELIEF THAT THERE IS ULTIMATELY A REWARD FOR HARD WORK."



ADDITIONAL SERVICES

IN ADDITION TO ACADEMIC TUTORING IN MOST SUBJECTS AND TEST PREP FOR MOST STANDARDIZED TESTS, WE ALSO PROVIDE THESE ADDITIONAL SERVICES:

HOMESCHOOL

HOMEWORK HELPER

CURRICULUM PLANNING

ESSAY WRITING WORKSHOP

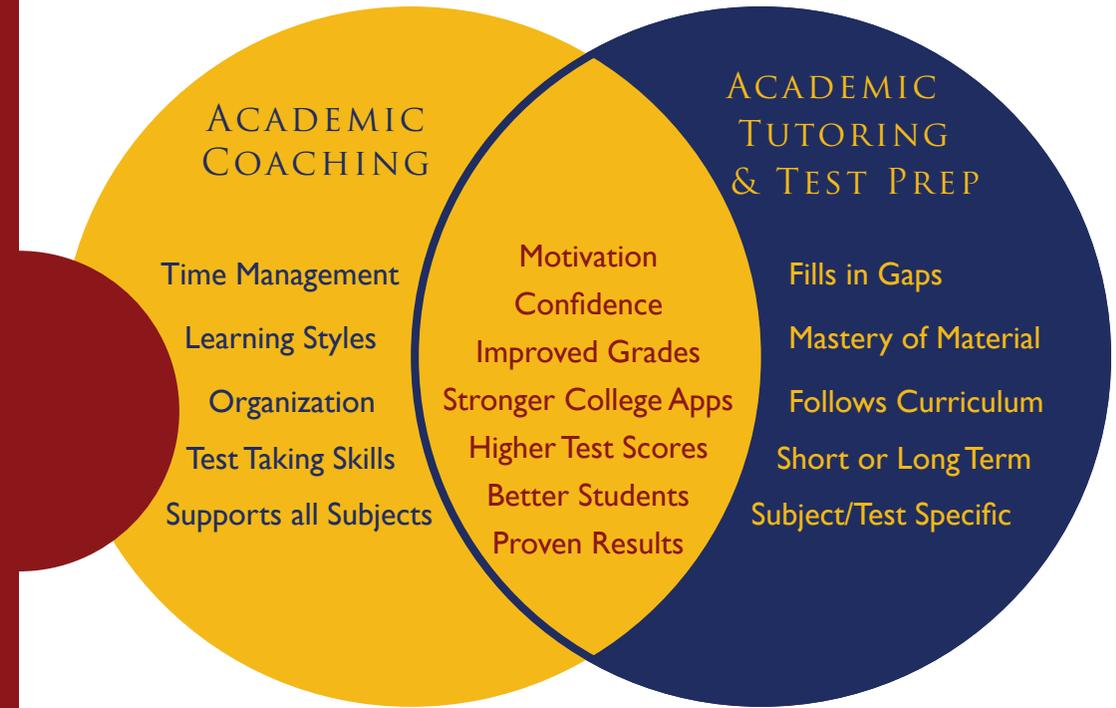
COLLEGE APPLICATION BOOTCAMP

EFFECTIVE READING / SPEED READING

ON~LOCATION TUTORING

SMALL GROUP TUTORING

A LITTLE RECAP



“TELL ME AND I’LL FORGET;
SHOW ME AND I MAY REMEMBER;
INVOLVE ME AND I’LL UNDERSTAND.”

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THE ANDREWS ADVANTAGE

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“THE MEDIOCRE TEACHER TELLS.
THE GOOD TEACHER EXPLAINS.
THE SUPERIOR TEACHER DEMONSTRATES.
THE GREAT TEACHER INSPIRES.”

WILLIAM AUTHUR WARD

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