The TIME Clinic
The Tutoring Intervention & Mathematics Enrichment – or TIME Clinic – was established in the summer of 2012 with a generous donation in memory of Linda Ann Weeshoff. The TIME Clinic provides mathematics tutoring specializing in elementary mathematics instructional support for children. The purpose of the TIME Clinic is to provide instructional intervention in mathematics for elementary-aged children with high need mathematical learning difficulties. Without an instructional intervention, children with mathematical learning difficulties fall further and further behind their peers in their mathematical learning as they progress to middle school and high school mathematics. Research has shown that important topics learned in the elementary grades, such as fractions and division, are a significant predictor of students’ success in high school mathematics. These results emphasize the importance of a strong foundation in mathematics learning in the elementary school years.

The TIME Clinic is a research clinic housed in the Emma Eccles Jones Early Childhood Education and Research Center of the College of Education and Human Services at Utah State University. Tutors in the clinic use research-based strategies and individualized tutoring to help elementary-aged children strengthen their understanding of mathematics. Tutors provide one-on-one instruction and are specialists in helping children reach their academic goals.

Services begin with a diagnostic test to determine a child’s level of mathematics understanding. Instruction includes targeted concept development using hands-on materials and technology. Children’s progress is measured by performance on tutoring assessments and attitudes towards mathematics. Tutors conduct ongoing evaluations to inform parents of their child’s progress and suggest ways to support the child’s progress at home.

Tutoring services in the TIME Clinic are provided by appointment. Each tutoring appointment lasts approximately one hour. After-school and summer sessions are available. The TIME Clinic Director, Arla Westenskow, works with parents individually to schedule appointments that meet the needs of families’ schedules. In addition to the learning benefits for children, parents also benefit from the tutoring services as well. During the tutoring sessions, parents take an active role as observers and learn strategies for helping their children with mathematics at home.

Support the TIME Clinic
For more information about how you can support the TIME Clinic so that an elementary child can receive mathematics tutoring services and reach their full potential in mathematics, please contact Frank Stewart (frank.stewart@usu.edu), Director of Development, Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services.

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