What is the Virtual Education Support Program (VESPA)?
The VESP is an opportunity for University of Houston students to support local families during the time of virtual learning due to COVID-19. UH students will provide one on one or group virtual tutoring or virtual teaching for grade levels K-12. In-person tutoring or support is NOT recommended.

What types of positions are available?
- **Virtual Tutors:** Virtual Tutors can be any UH major or classification. They provide one on one or group virtual tutoring to grades K-12. (Minimum: $10 per hour)
- **Virtual Teaching Assistants:** Virtual Teaching Assistants are UH education majors. They provide one on one or group virtual teaching / education to grades K-12. (Minimum: $12 per hour)

How does the program work?
Please, see the process below for each party involved:

1. **Register as an “Employer” and submit the job posting in Cougar Pathway.** The family contact will create an employer account within Cougar Pathway, the University of Houston online job board. Once approved as an “employer”, the contact will create a job posting for either the Virtual Tutor or Virtual Teaching Assistant. Job descriptions are provided to assist

2. **Review resumes and interview students.** After the position is approved and posted in Cougar Pathway, the family contact will start to get emails with student resumes. The contact will review the resumes and interview students accordingly. Interview questions can be provided to assist.

3. **Choose final candidate and complete Virtual Agreement Form.** Once the final candidate has been chosen, the family contact will complete the Virtual Agreement Form with the student and return via email to University Career Services (This is expected to be completed before the student begins working)

Please, note:
- The University of Houston (UH) does not guarantee and is not responsible for the tutoring services performed by the UH students.
- UH does not perform background checks on families or UH students for this program.
- The University of Houston is not responsible for payment to the student; this must be coordinated directly between the family contact and student.
- If at any point either the family contact or the student becomes uncomfortable with the arrangement, they can terminate the Virtual Agreement Form without penalty.

Interested in participating?
Email Caitlin Deis at cdeis@uh.edu to schedule a brief phone call to discuss the program.
You will then be provided instructions for creating your employer account in Cougar Pathway.