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the question

Some students ask their teachers for help with their studies outside of school with things that they don't understand, in return for payment. Knowing that the student is the one who is asking the teacher for that, is there any difference in the ruling if the student is studying with that teacher in the same school? Does this go against the words of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him), "Seeking knowledge is obligatory upon every Muslim"?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

There is nothing wrong with a student asking a teacher for help outside the classroom to teach him and help him understand the subjects he is studying, whether that is with his own teacher or another teacher. But if the regulations of the school do not allow that, then the student should adhere to the regulations that concern him. But if there are no such regulations, then there is no reason why he should not have some teachers to tutor him outside of school hours in his home or in the mosque. There is nothing wrong with that.