

# Yes We Care Homework Center

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# Yes We Care - Homework Center

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## Mission Statement

The purpose of this program is to provide children in K - 6 grades an opportunity to participate in a structured learning environment to help facilitate the completion, learning and understanding of coursework given to them by the Worcester Public Schools.

These activities will take place in a safe, structured, and pleasant atmosphere.

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## Vision

All academics will be accomplished by providing a quiet learning environment where children can complete their homework. Tutors and mentors will be available for those that require assistance.

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## Expectations

The parent or legal guardian must sign a permission slip for all activities including pick-up and drop-off of children.

A parent or legal guardian must pick up children and an ID will be required.

Guidelines regulating behavior must be agreed upon by the children participating in the program along with their parent or legal guardian.

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## Schedule

Yes We Care (YWC) will be open following the same schedule as the Worcester Public Schools (e.g., school vacation days, snow days, etc.) as it relates to our being open Monday - Thursday (some Fridays are planned programs - see next page).

Arrival to the program	2:30pm - 3:00pm
Snacks served between	2:30pm - 3:00pm
Homework	3:00pm - 5:00pm
Table Games	4:30pm - 5:00pm
As Announced - Fridays	Movie or Recreation Activity

## Schedule (Continued)

### Friday Activities

This would be a planned Friday announced in advance. Friday's activities may consist of various activities as mentioned below and the list is not all inclusive:

- *Age appropriate DVDs or movies*
  - *Outdoor games in a park (weather permitting)*
  - *Arts and Crafts*
  - *Drama or Stage Play*
  - *Presentations*
  - *Visits to: Worcester Art Museum, Ecotarium, Boston etc.*
  - *Monthly Recognition Awards for Attendance, Grade Improvement, and Persistence.*
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## Closings and Emergencies

You will be notified through your preferred means of contact in the event of a cancellation of classes, emergencies, or any other event which would lead to a cancellation of the program for the day.

The homework center will follow the Worcester Public Schools as it relates to winter school closings.

***For Storm Closings please tune into the following channels or check the church website:***

*Channel 4 (CBS), Channel 7 (NBC), Channel 25 (FOX), Channel 38 (TV38), Channel 56 (CW) or WBZ Radio AM 1030.*

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## Pick-up and Drop-offs

Please follow these specific guidelines as it relates to picking up and dropping off the children:

1. Those participating in this program must be punctual in ensuring that the children are picked up and dropped on time.
  2. Children will not be allowed to leave the center without an adult accompanying them.
  3. A valid ID is required to pick-up a participant.
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### **Policy for Pick-Up and Drop-Off**

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#### **Monday - Friday**

Arrivals Between: 2:30pm - 3:00pm

Pick-ups Between: 4:30pm - 5:00pm

I understand and agree to the above policy.

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

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### **Walking To and From Program**

We the parents/guardians of (child)\_\_\_\_\_

Accept full responsibility and relieve Yes We Care and Belmont A.M.E. Zion Church of any responsibility concerning the safety of the above named child as it relates to walking to and from the program and will ensure that he/she has appropriate supervision to safely travel to and from the Yes We Care location. Failure to do so may result in suspension from the child participating in the program.

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## **Pledge**

*We at Yes We Care will strive for excellence in our quest to be the best!*

We accept that:

- Mediocrity is not acceptable!
- Failure is not an option!
- High expectations are the norm!
- Academic Achievement is the key to success!
- We will serve our community so that we are qualified to lead!
- We are willing to work and pay the price for success!
- We also accept that we will give nothing less than our very best!

### **Our Motto is:**

Inspiring Young Minds!

### **Code of Behavior:**

- *I will consider other first and myself last.*
- *I will respect myself.*
- *I will wear modest attire.*
- *I WILL NOT eat gum while in class.*
- *I will use appropriate language (e.g., no cussing/swearing, derogatory or discriminating remarks, etc.)*
- *I WILL NOT make indecent gestures, comments or touch the opposite sex inappropriately.*
- *I will respect others by keeping my hands and my feet and negative words to myself.*
- *I will show respect to ALL Adults by choosing the appropriate language and behavior in their presence.*
- *I will show respect to all authorities by following their direction at all times.*
- *I will show respect to all speakers by remaining silent and giving my full attention when they are speaking.*
- *I will show respect to Belmont A.M.E. Zion Church (building and property) by not damaging or marking up the walls, tables, chairs, etc. while I am using their space.*

## DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

I understand that if my child does not obey the “Code of Behavior” I will be subject to the following consequences:

**FIRST OFFENCE:** Immediately sent home with one day’s suspension from the program

**SECOND OFFENCE:** Immediately sent home and a one week suspension from the program

**THIRD OFFENCE:** Immediately sent home and a two weeks suspension from the program

I promise to keep and follow the “Code of Behavior” to the best of my ability and I understand that disciplinary action will be taken if any of these codes are broken.

**Note: If your child cannot be sent immediately home, he/she will be separated from the group and will be assigned a monitor.**

I understand and agree to the above policy.

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Signature of Student

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\*Signature of Parent or Guardian

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*\*The parent/guardian will be provided a copy of this agreement.*



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## APPLICATION - HOMEWORK PROGRAM

We the parents/guardians of (child) \_\_\_\_\_

Give permission for him/her to participate in the homework program. I have read and agree with Code of Behavior and Disciplinary Actions of the program. The following is the contact information that is to be used in the event of an emergency and preferred method of notification.

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Child's School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies (if any) - Food or otherwise:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person & Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Method of Communication to You (Place an "1, 2, and 3" for preferred methods): PRINT!**

\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Cell Phone/Text: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date





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Volunteer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Week of: \_\_\_\_\_

## TIMECARD - HOMEWORK HELP

Day of Week	Time In	Time Out	Total Hours
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
		Total Hours	

Volunteer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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## ***I WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER!***

Volunteer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be considered as a volunteer for the Yes We Care Homework Center. I have read and agree with Code of Behavior and Disciplinary Actions of the program. The following is the contact information that may be used to reach me

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person & Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Cell Phone/Text: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature

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Date