

HCC Homework Agreement

Dear Program Families:

At **HCC**, we are starting our year by organizing our homework center. We believe that we can support your family and your child's school success by providing some time during our day for homework.

We ask that you and your child discuss whether or not s/he should work on homework during our program, and come to a mutual agreement. We feel that we can provide the best homework assistance when staff, children, and families have a clear understanding about how this will work. We expect that your child will honor the decision that you reach, and cooperate with staff if you have chosen to utilize the homework program. In addition, we find it helpful to have some information from both parents/guardians and children about how to best support homework efforts.

Please be aware that this will be a supervised homework period, but is not intended to be a tutorial session.

Name of Child _____ **School** _____

_____ **will** work on homework at the program

_____ **will not** work on homework at the program

_____ **may choose daily** whether or not to do homework at the program

If you have decided that your child **WILL NOT** work on homework at the program, stop here and return this form.

If you have decided that your child **WILL** or **MAY** work on homework at the program, please work together to fill out the child/youth and parent/ guardian sections, and then return the form to the HCC office.

CHILD/YOUTH

1. Draw a circle around which thing you usually like the best when you are doing homework:

Quiet place to work OR A place where I can talk and move while I work
Working alone OR Working in a small group

2. Which homework assignments are usually the easiest for you?

3. Which homework assignments are usually the hardest for you?

4. Please finish this sentence: When I get stuck on my homework, it helps when adults:

I agree to:

- Come to the homework area when I have homework
- Bring the books, notebooks, and worksheets that I need
- Try my best to understand the homework assignment at school
- Ask for help when I need it
- Work quietly and respect the rules of behavior in the homework area
- Complete my homework if possible before moving on to another HCC activity

I understand that I will be suspended from the homework program if I repeatedly refuse to participate or if I am disruptive during homework time.

Child/Youth Signature: _____

PARENTS/GUARDIANS

1. Which homework assignments are usually the easiest for your child?
2. Which homework assignments are usually the hardest for your child?
3. Please finish this sentence: When my child gets stuck on homework, I find that it helps when I:
4. Please finish this sentence: When my child gets stuck on homework, I find that it does NOT help when I:

I agree to:

- Check the homework my child has completed during program time
- Assist my child with unfinished or difficult homework
- Talk to teachers at the school about homework issues
- Have reasonable expectations of the amount of homework my child can complete at the program
- Support after school program staff in encouraging my child to use homework program effectively

I understand that my child may be suspended from the homework program if s/he repeatedly refuses to participate or is disruptive during homework time.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

PROGRAM/STAFF

- We will provide a comfortable, supervised, homework area with some standard materials
- We will do our best to keep the homework area quiet and free from distractions
- We will encourage children to abide by their homework agreements
- We will guide children with their homework without taking over
- We will communicate successes or concerns about homework to families

Staff Signature: _____