

Edina Normandale K-3

HOMEWORK CONTRACT

WISE Guys offers a dedicated *HOMEWORK AREA* for anyone needing a place to do homework, to read, or to relax in a quiet place. Our *HOMEWORK AREA* (in the Library) will be staffed **Monday–Thursday**, so help will always be available for those who need it. This is an important element of our overall program: **All K-3 graders should be able to finish homework before any evening activities!**

A certain percentage of our youth will come to the homework area freely, others will need **more encouragement**. This is why we offer *HOMEWORK CONTRACTS*. When a family turns in a contract they are asking us to REMIND their youth to get into the library and get some work done. However, it is essential that parents communicate expectations to their kids. Normandale K-3 staff are not able (or willing) to “force” kids to sit in the library while they declare that they “have no homework that night!”, or that they need to do it at home with their parents. “Forced” time often leads to far more disruptions and discipline issues than benefits.

Parents: PLEASE talk over the homework issue with your Normandale K-3. Then, fill out the contract below together, indicating which days and how long your K-3 will be working in the homework area. K-3s will be reminded any day they have *SCHEDULED/CONTRACT HOMEWORK TIME* as they check in. The staff will have a list of who should be in the library and attendance will be taken to ensure that contracts are fulfilled. If kids skip homework time on a contract day, the Normandale K-3 staff will send a *note* home to parents.

If a youth has contracted time but claims s/he “does not have homework that day”, s/he will still be **asked to fulfill their contract**. Youth should bring something to read or something quiet to do, unless parents make other arrangements.

Please fill out the contract below. **PARENT AND K-3 MUST BOTH SIGN.**

HOMEWORK CONTRACT

Student name

School

Home Base

Please circle your preference:

Day(s): Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

of minutes per day:

10 minutes

15 minutes

20 minutes

K-3 signature

Parent signature