



TUESDAY & THURSDAY, 4:30 - 5:00  
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## HOMework EXPRESS TO PREMIER

Homework Express, Northeast Ohio's new homework help television show, will premier September 20 on local cable television channels. The show will air on Time-Warner, Armstrong, and Adelphia in Mahoning and Trumbull counties. Students may call the show with their questions about math/science homework, and teachers will help them live from the YSU studio.

## ASSOCIATE PRODUCER AMY CRAWFORD

Dr. Amy Graban Crawford is a Youngstown area native, Assistant Professor of Telecommunication Studies at YSU, and Associate Producer for Homework Express. She is a graduate of Miami University and received her PhD from Florida State University. She has also been a professor at Indiana University Kokomo and a scriptwriter and producer in Cleveland.



## NEW HOME!

Final touches are going on the new Homework Express studio set. Designed and built by Todd Dicken, YSU's theater production manager, it occupies more than 200 square feet of the TV studio. The Homework Express logo is featured on one side (where the SmartBoard eventually will go), and the teachers' "smudge board" is on the other – where teachers can help students with math and science questions.

## PHONES READY

A new systems of telephone communication has been designed and installed in Master Control. Students will call the 330-941-2030 number and be routed to one of several available inbound lines. After screening, the student will be transferred to the "air line." From that number the student can talk to in-studio teachers and be heard by at-home viewers – live.

## ASSOCIATE PRODUCER BILL BROPHY

Bill Brophy entered the telecommunications field while a student at Ohio University and has worked as radio air talent, programmer and production pro at several Ohio stations. At YSU he has taught audio and video courses, as well as courses in programming and performance. After more than 35 years in the business, Bill is still enthralled by the "magic" that allows us to reach across time and space to share ideas and information with our fellow human beings.



## VOLUNTEERS

Producers welcome help from parents, teachers and others on a volunteer basis. On show nights volunteers are used to help screen phone calls and to record information from callers. A team of volunteers will be developing content for the Homework Express website. Teachers also will review program tapes for consistency with Ohio's Academic Content Standards. Producers also are searching for people and businesses who can provide prizes and incentives of various kinds. These should be in the \$10 - \$20 range, and in a form which can be mailed in a #10 envelope (such as a gift certificate or I-Tune card).

## REHEARSALS

Homework Express rehearsals are slated to begin on September 6. After all new technology has been installed and tested, the production crew will rehearse the program during the actual 4:30PM time period, verifying that the distribution links to Time Warner, Armstrong and Adelphia are established. Later in the month, the entire crew including on-air teachers and volunteers will conduct "full dress" rehearsals.

## ALTERNATE EMAIL

[Homeworkexpress@gmail.com](mailto:Homeworkexpress@gmail.com) has been established as an alternative way to reach Homework Express producers.

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