# **Learning Center Starts Another Year**

by Jerry Garner

The Whitney Young Learning Center, which is sponsored by the Urban League of Portland, began another year of operation at St. Andrews School

The center is an after-school program designed to help students become academically successful and self-directed, according to Deborah Cochrane, Director of the Learning

Other services offered by the center are: homework assistance, individualized and small group tutoring, instruction in basic study skills, basic skill development, academic encouragement, and referral services.

Cochrane said this year the center will be able to reach more students than last year. "Last year the program served over a hundred students. This year we hope to double the number, have better coordination with the school district, and build our visability in the community." said Cochrane

Cochrane credits the center's increase in services to Urban League of Portland's Chief Executive Officer Herb Cawthorne. "Up until last year, the program didn't have an abundance of funding. When Mr. Cawthorne took over the League, he brought with him a strong commitment to education. He went out and got more money from the



things. We do special activities with

the kids; special motivational activi-

ties. But we want people to under-

stand that this program isn't about

changing a student's grades. This

is something only the student can

do. Our goal is to build self-esteem

and make the students independent

Cochrane stated that many of the

students who come to the center.

have potential. "I am tired of hea-

ring teachers say that the type of

kids who come to Whitney Young

are incapable of learning. Those

types of kids don't come here. The

kids who seek our assistance are

very special kids. They made a

choice of their own to come here.

This is a voluntary program. They

Yaw Osei-Boye (standing), a teacher at Ockley Green Middle School, helps students with their homework at the Whitney Young Learning Center.

(L-R) Jeff Mitchell, Camille Greenidge, Volio Kesic, Osei-Boye and Stephanie Bell.

Photo by Richard J. Brown

school district and used the money to put together a stronger pro-

The program is staffed by Cochrane and four other tutors.

Cochrane said the program is there to give kids support, help them work on their self-esteem don't have to be here. No one and their self-confidence, and talk twists their arms; they made a to them about self-discipline. "We have implemented a lot of special

Cochrane said that its important that people in the community know that they can make contributions to students who are seeking help academically. She said they can help by answering the phones or by encouraging a student who needs help to come by the center.

The Learning Center is open Monday through Thursday, from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. In order to be eligible for the services offered by Whitney Young, students must be in grades 7 through 12 and live in North or Northeast Portland and can not otherwise afford supple-

ney Young Learning Center, contact Deborah Cochrane at 280-2600. The earliest known set of dentures was dug up in a field in Switzerland and is believed to date form sone

time in the 15th century

mental academic assistance. For

further information about the Whit-

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A graduate of St. Louis Univer sity and The Interdenominational Theological Center, Watley received his Ph.D. from Columbia University. He currently serves as pastor of St. James A.M.E. Church, Newark. New Jersey, and as Adjunct Professor of Theology, New York Theological Seminary.

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For more information, call 288-5429.

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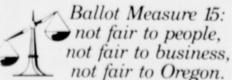


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