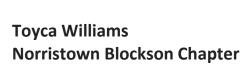


## **Featured Parent**





Toyca Williams is mother to 6<sup>th</sup> grade Norristown Blockson Chapter Scholar, Zachary B. Williams. New to the Program this year, Toyca was drawn to the Foundation's Pre-College Program; because it is academically focused, socially engaging, and community-minded. The family joined in the hopes of finding a consistent and empowering outlet for Zachary where he could build confidence and pursue academic excellence.

Since enrolling her son in the Program, Toyca has seen how Zachary embodies the credo in his day-to-day life, "He believes what he is reciting. He *is* a young Scholar in charge." Though the Program challenges him, Toyca has watched him grow to appreciate and take pride in his accomplishments. She has told us, "By the end of a YMWIC activity, I see the big smile on his face and his sense of accomplishment. I know the skills he learns through the Program will serve him well into adulthood."

Toyca has become an impressive member of the Norristown Blockson Chapter, attending the weekly meetings, contributing to regional events, and assisting with Community Service. For families considering joining the YMWIC Pre-College Program, she recommends attending an Orientation Session and speaking with other parents to get a clear understanding of what the Program offers and how it will challenge your Scholar.

"YMWIC provides an opportunity for your child to grow as a person, student, and one day as a successful professional."

Thank you, Toyca Williams, for everything you do! We're so excited to have you with us and can't wait to see how your Scholar grows.