How will campus homework guidelines be communicated with me?

Campus homework guidelines are to be provided to parents in writing at the beginning of each school year.

What should I do if I have a concern about my child's homework?

If you have questions regarding a homework concern, please contact your child's teacher.





What is the "right" amount of homework?

Time spent on homework should be commensurate with the age/grade of the student and should not be excessive. Research recommends approximately 10 (ten) minutes per night per grade level inclusive of all subject areas. This means that Pre-K, Kindergarten and 1st graders would have approximately 10 total minutes of homework per night, 2nd graders approximately 20 total minutes of homework per night, and so forth.

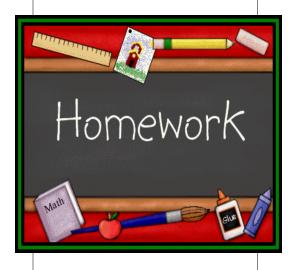
It is important to note that additional time above and beyond these recommendations may be needed to prepare for exams, complete projects or for mastery and /or improvement.

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District Guidelines for Campus Homework Practices



District Homework Philosophy

Homework is an important aspect of the educational experience. Homework assignments can bring the home and school closer together by facilitating parent understanding of topics taught at school.

The objective of homework is to assist and improve learning, and to strengthen skills and understandings gained in the classroom. Homework allows teachers and students to cover more content, reinforces and supplements students' learning experience and fosters student initiative, independence, responsibility and study habits. Homework should be an application or adaptation of a classroom experience. It should be used to provide feedback to the teacher and the student about how learning is progressing. Policy EIA (LOCAL) states that assignments, tests, projects, classroom activities, and other instructional activities shall be designed so that the student's performance indicates the level of mastery of the designated District objectives.



Purpose of Homework

The purpose of homework is to provide students with a reinforcement, application and/or extension of instruction delivered in the classroom. For the purpose of these guidelines, "homework" shall be defined as any teacher assigned task intended for students to perform outside school hours.



What is the teacher's responsibility related to homework?

Teachers of departmentalized grades should work to coordinate homework and projects across content areas in order to insure students are not spending excessive amounts of time on homework.

In order to insure students are provided the family time and rest that is intended during holidays, teachers should avoid the assignment of homework and projects over designated school holidays.

Teachers should differentiate assignments based on the needs of individual students. The most common forms of differentiation include altering the difficulty of work, altering the amount of work, and/or providing student's with choices for meeting homework requirements based on learning styles.

Homework cannot be assigned for disciplinary purposes.

Summer Learning

Students are encouraged to read and problem solve at all times including during the summer vacation.

Campuses may provide a suggested summer reading list that students can utilize to select a book/ books to read over the summer vacation. These suggested readings may include questions and activities that will seek to aid students in checking for understanding and focusing on the continuous improvement of specific skills that will increase the likelihood of success in advanced academic course(s).