

HOMEWORK

The District recognizes the value of homework to promote academic achievement, encourage student responsibility, and enhance educational experiences.

Homework is defined as short-term tasks or assignments intended to be an outgrowth of the classroom experience and completed outside of class time. Homework may include preview, practice, review, or extension of knowledge/skills or other types of class preparation.

Homework will serve to inform classroom instruction and provide feedback to students. Teachers will ensure that students receive timely feedback on homework assignment.

Each school shall include in its Program of Studies or Student Handbook the average amount of time that a typical student should expect to dedicate outside of the school day to his or her studies for each class meeting with reasonable specifics for each grade and level. Middle and High School teachers may adopt such guidelines on a department basis.

District and School administrators, Deans and Department Heads from each school shall meet at least annually to ensure proper vertical/horizontal alignment for both the weighting of assignments and amount of homework given. School administrators and Deans and Department Heads from each school shall meet quarterly to ensure proper horizontal alignment and expectations.

Students shall not be expected to be working on long-term assignments over a scheduled holiday break. However, a typical night of homework may be assigned over a scheduled school vacation or holiday.

Legal References: Ed 306.14(b)(1), Policy on Homework (until July 1, 2015);

Ed.306.141(a)(1), Policy on Homework (after July 1, 2015)

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