

InstructionHOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORKSchool Site Homework Plan

The principal and staff at each school is accountable for implementing Board Policy and shall follow the District homework plan. These Administrative Regulations provide detail to interpret the policy.

1. The purpose of homework
 - a. To provide experiences in independent study and to practice good study habits
 - b. To accustom the student to budgeting time for homework in preparation for the time when independent study becomes the main avenue to continued learning
 - c. To reinforce basic skills and concepts
 - d. To complete assignments not completed during class time
 - e. To complete projects or studies involving individual research
2. The amount of time the average student is expected to spend on homework
 - a. Grades K-2 10 – 30 minutes per night
 - b. Grades 3-5 30 – 60 minutes per night
 - c. Grades 6-8 60 – 90 minutes per night (no more than 30 minutes per individual class)
 - d. If independent reading is required and the time is counted toward a grade, this time must be included in the maximum minutes listed in a., b., and c. above
3. The teacher's responsibility for homework
 - a. Give the students guidance in establishing standards of good study habits including how to allocate their time wisely and meet deadlines
 - b. Plan and assign only relevant homework adapted to the learning needs of the students and to meet state curricular standards
 - c. Reserve for classroom instruction all new or very difficult work requiring teaching assistance
 - d. Assign no more homework than what is expected in #2 above
 - e. Contact parents/guardians when students consistently do not complete homework assignment
4. The parent/guardian has the following responsibilities in regards to homework:
 - a. Show an active interest in the homework to be done
 - b. Provide a suitable place for the student to do his/her homework
 - c. Adjust and manage the home environment to prevent interruptions and conflicting demands

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- d. Encourage his/her child to complete each homework assignment
 - e. Limit assistance with homework to guiding, aiding, reviewing, listening to reading and recitation and answering specific questions
 - f. Provide an opportunity for the child to read independently or read to their child for at least 20 minutes per night for K-3 students and 30 minutes per night for 4-8 students.
 - g. Contact the teacher if his/her child continually reports that no homework has been assigned
5. The student's responsibility for homework
- a. Complete the homework assigned
 - b. Return the homework to school and the teacher when asked to do so
 - c. Return books and materials taken home
 - d. Seek help from the teacher when needed
 - e. Be accountable for his/her actions regarding completion of homework
6. The school staff shall inform parents/guardians about:
- a. Homework expectations
 - b. How homework relates to the student's grades
 - c. How best to help their children

Makeup Work

The Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians that no student may have his/her grade reduced or lose academic credit for any excused absence when missed assignments and tests are satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time. Such notification shall include the full text of Education Code 48205.

The teacher of any class from which a student is suspended may require the student to complete any assignments and tests missed during the suspension.