

Instruction

HOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORK

The Board of Education of the East Whittier City School District believes that homework is a part of the total instructional program. Its purpose is to reinforce previous learning, develop independent study skills, and encourage parent involvement in the instructional process. Homework shall have specific relevance to instructional objectives and be an extension of classroom instruction. Homework projects that require the purchase of items that are not supplied by the student's classroom must be approved by the principal and allow for any necessary supplies to be obtained at no cost to students.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that administrators and teachers implement an effective homework plan, based on District policy, at each school site. As needed, teachers may receive training in designing relevant, challenging and meaningful homework assignments that reinforce classroom learning objectives.

Although it is the student's responsibility to do most homework assignments independently, the Board expects teachers at all grade levels to use parents/guardians as a contributing resource. When students repeatedly fail to do their homework, parents/guardians shall be notified and asked to contact the teacher.

Makeup Work

Students who miss school work because of an excused absence shall be given the opportunity to complete all assignments and tests that can be reasonably provided. As determined by the teacher, the assignments and tests shall be reasonably equivalent to, but not necessarily identical to, the assignments and tests missed during the absence. Students shall receive full credit for work satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time.

Students who miss school work because of unexcused absences shall be given the opportunity to make up missed work. Teachers shall assign such makeup work as necessary to ensure academic progress.

Legal Reference (See next page)

HOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORK (continued)

Legal Reference: Education Code
48205 Absences for personal reasons
48913 Completion of work missed by suspended student
48980 Parental notifications
58700-58702 Tutoring and homework assistance program; summer school apportionment credit