

HOMEWORK

The Board of Directors believes that education is a lifelong process which extends beyond the school. It is important that students recognize that learning occurs in the home and community, as well as in the school. Homework is one means of teaching the necessary skills of independent study and learning outside the school. The primary purpose of homework is to supplement and reinforce learning in the classroom. A broad definition of homework is considered here to include not only written work but also related activities, such as viewing specific television programs, news reporting, recreational reading, and other activities. Homework must relate to the classroom with specific written guidelines which define and limit homework activities.

Reasons for homework:

1. To strengthen skills already taught.
2. To complete work started in class.
3. To increase learning time.
4. To encourage parent awareness of student learning.
5. To develop good work and study habits.
6. To provide enrichment opportunities.
7. To promote creativity, responsibility, and independence.
8. To make up work due to absences.

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