



HOMework

Homework is a constructive tool in the teaching/learning process when geared to the needs and abilities of students. Purposeful assignments not only enhance student achievement but also develop responsibility, self-discipline, and good work habits. As an extension of the classroom, homework must be planned and organized, must be viewed as purposeful to the students; and must be evaluated and returned to students in a timely manner.

1. Homework may be assigned for one or more of the following purposes:
2. Practice -- to help students to master specific skills which have been presented in class;
3. Preparation -- to help students gain the maximum benefits from future lessons;
4. Extension -- to provide students with opportunities to transfer specific skills or concepts to new situations; and
5. Creativity -- to require students to integrate many skills and concepts in order to produce original responses.

Each building shall establish standards which clarify the nature and use of homework assignments to improve school achievement. These standards will be reviewed by staff, students, and parents each year. Building standards will be based upon guidelines provided by the curriculum office.

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