

Webster School

HOMEWORK POLICY

At Webster School, we believe:

In accordance with School District policy, homework should take about ten minutes per night per grade level (i.e. 10 minutes for kindergarten and 1st grades, 30 minutes for a 3rd grade student) on Monday through Thursday nights. There are occasions when a student will work longer than that, but these should be the exception.

Homework will be an extension of classroom learning.

Homework is expected to be done by the student and students are expected to know how to do their homework.

Guidance by parents is helpful but not required.

There will be occasions where one of the purposes of a homework assignment is for students and parents to work together, especially in the primary grades.

Teachers will make every effort to communicate with parents so that parents understand the expectations for each homework assignment.

Long term projects are important learning experiences, especially as students progress through the elementary grades. Expectations and standards for these projects will be thoroughly explained to students and communicated to parents. Class time and support will be provided for these projects. If a parent feels that additional classroom support will be needed in order for the child to be successful, the parent should contact the teacher.

Teachers will review and return all homework assignments within a reasonable time.

Unfinished classwork and make-up work after an absence may also create a temporary additional homework responsibility. If unfinished classwork is regularly resulting in an unreasonable homework burden, the parent should contact the teacher to discuss the causes of the situation and possible solutions.

If a student is regularly spending more than an hour doing homework, the parent should meet with the teacher to discuss the causes of the situation and possible solutions.