

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your partnership in your child's education. These homework guidelines are intended to help you manage your child's daily homework. Homework is an essential part of your child's learning. The new concept that they learned in class will be mastered more quickly if they are able to reinforce that learning with a short practice at home.

Most students work best by having a specific location at home for their homework time (a desk in the living room, the kitchen table, etc.). Establish a regular routine, when possible. Consider giving your child a set time for play after school, and then come in for a set time for their homework. Guide your child with questions when applicable. For example, if your child says, "I don't know how to do this," you could respond with, "Where would you start?" or "What would you do first?"

Our grade level guideline is that your child should have an average of up to 30 minutes of homework each night. Some nights will be a little less, and some a little more. If your child is consistently working more than 30 minutes on homework each night, please let me know.

Subject Area	Average Minutes per Night
Math homework	20 min
Math facts	4 min
Spelling	4 min
Recitation	2 min
30 minutes can be redistributed as needed for each student.	

Our grade level works on the following project(s) at home during the school year. Please work a little each day on these projects so that your child will not be overwhelmed.

Project	Dates	At-Home Portion
Patriot's Day Report	April	Read book on historical figure
Patriot's Day Living Museum	May 14	Trifold about American Revolution historical figure