

HOMework

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Latta primary/elementary homework guidelines

The purpose of homework is the practice and reinforcement of the standards taught in the classroom that day or on previous days.

Homework assignments will be short, concise and based on quality and not quantity. Homework will be assigned daily or in weekly packets. As students progress to higher grades, daily independent reading and test preparation should be an integral part of homework assignments. Team teachers will work together to insure that assignments are not excessive.

Homework will be checked daily, but not graded. Homework will be used to award bonus points at the end of the grading period for those students who have exhibited responsibility in completing assignments. The availability of resources in the home will be considered when assigning outside projects.

No more than two tests will be administered on a given day. Team teachers will communicate to insure that students are not being over tested on a single day.

Each teacher's homework plan will be reasonable and will be communicated to students and parents at the beginning of the school year. Teachers will provide parents with feedback during the school year about their child's homework habits.

Latta middle/high school homework guidelines

Any homework that is assigned will be reinforcement to classroom instruction, and will provide practice and application of knowledge. Homework assignments will be meaningful, relevant to current lessons, of a reasonable length, carefully planned and differentiated to meet individual student needs.

In addition, homework assignments will encourage student accountability and responsibility, foster student initiative and independence, reinforce home-school interaction and extend the learning environment with real-world applications. The availability of resources in the home will be considered when assigning outside projects.

Homework assignments will be graded for completeness, not accuracy, and will not count for more than 10% of a student's quarterly grade. Teacher teams will work collaboratively to prevent excessive homework assignments on any given day.

Parents and students are encouraged to discuss concerns regarding homework with individual teachers, and then administration if the concern persists.

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