

## **HOMEWORK**

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for the assignment of homework to students.

Homework should be assigned as reinforcement to classroom instruction by providing time for practice and application of knowledge. Additionally, because homework can be used as a tool to aid in the development of positive behavioral traits such as self-discipline and intellectual independence, homework may be an expectation on all grade levels.

Homework assignments should be meaningful, relevant to the current lesson, carefully planned and differentiated. Differentiated homework can provide a great opportunity for students to master missing skills, extend content, challenge advanced learners and link applications of content to student interests.

Students *may* be assigned homework on a regular basis to reflect the following purposes.

- Reinforce and supplement classroom learning experiences.
- Encourage accountability and responsibility.
- Foster student initiative and independence.
- Enable the successful completion of more curricular material.
- Reinforce home-school interaction.
- Extend the learning environment into the reality of the outside world.

In making assignments, teachers should take into consideration individual differences of students such as health and ability as well as conditions and educational resources at home.

Homework should not be assigned for disciplinary reasons.

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