

HOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORK**Homework**

The Governing Board recognizes that homework contributes toward building responsibility, self-discipline and life-long learning habits, and that time spent on homework directly influences students' ability to meet the district's academic standards. The Board expects students, parents/guardians and staff to view homework as a routine and important part of students' daily lives.

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that administrators and teachers develop and implement an effective homework plan at each school site. As needed, teachers may receive training in designing relevant, challenging and meaningful homework assignments that reinforce classroom learning objectives. Teachers' expectations related to homework may be addressed in their evaluations.

(cf. 4115 - Evaluation/Supervision)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

Homework is defined as an assignment in a subject area that has been taught and learned sufficiently so that the student does the work correctly rather than reinforcing errors or incorrect work. Homework is completed outside of class time.

Goals of Homework

1. Extend or reinforce classroom learning.
2. Aid in the mastery of skills.
3. Teach students to budget time and use time wisely.
4. Involve parents/guardians in the education of their child, but not require the parent/guardian to provide initial instruction.
5. Provide opportunities for parent/child interaction.
6. Enable a student to make up work missed due to excused absences, not including suspensions.

HOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORK (continued)

Although it is the student's responsibility to do most homework assignments independently, the Board expects teachers at all grade levels to use parents/guardians as a contributing resource. When students repeatedly fail to do their homework, parents/guardians shall be notified and asked to contact the teacher.

(cf. 5050 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

Makeup Work

Students who miss school work because of an excused absence shall be given the opportunity to complete all assignments and tests that can be reasonably provided. As determined by the teacher, the assignments and tests shall be reasonably equivalent to, but not necessarily identical to, the assignments and tests missed during the absence. Students shall receive full credit for work satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time. (Education Code 48205)

(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)

The Superintendent shall ensure that each school site develops an effective homework plan in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48205 Absences for personal reasons

48913 Completion of work missed by suspended pupil

48980 Parental notifications

58700-58702 Tutoring and homework assistance program; summer school apportionment credit

Management Resources:

SBE POLICIES

Parent Involvement in the Education of Their Children, 1994

Policy Statement on Homework, 1995

Policy

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