

Homework is defined as that work assigned by teachers to be done outside of the classroom either during assigned study period and/or at home. Homework that contributes to the growth and development of the student is valuable.

Homework should include activities that enrich, extend, stimulate or strengthen learning motivated or initiated in the classroom. Individual academic needs should be considered.

Homework will be assigned to:

- Supplement, support, and extend learning through home-related activities;
- Reinforce classroom instruction by providing necessary practice, integration, and application;
- Help students become resourceful and work independently;
- Acquaint and involve parents/guardians with what their children are learning in school;
- Complete an assignment; and to
- Complete lessons missed due to absence.

When assigning homework to students, teachers should give consideration to the amount and timing of the homework in relation to other academic activity requirements of students (e.g., homework required by other teachers, grade period exams) and student accessibility to computers and specialized equipment.

A statement regarding homework shall be included in each teacher's course/classroom expectations and include the effect homework will have on the student's grade.

### Responsibility of Parents/Guardians

While students should assume the major responsibility for completing homework assignments, parents/guardians should be encouraged to take an active interest in students' homework by:

1. Promoting a positive attitude toward homework;
2. Providing a consistent time and suitable place for study;
3. Making resource materials available whenever possible;
4. Communicating special circumstances, which may affect the student's ability to complete assignments to the teacher.

### **Legal References:**

### **Cross References:**

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