

## Homework

Rationale: Homework extends the time available for formal learning. It is a means to practice self-discipline, individual study skills and independent study and learning.

Reasons for Homework:

1. To give additional practice and application to strengthen learning;
2. To expand and/or enrich regular classwork;
3. To build interest in reading and learning;
4. To provide an opportunity to pursue special interest or ability areas;
5. To establish independent study skills;
6. To complete work started in class;
7. To make up work missed due to an absence.

Guidelines:

1. Homework will be given only after the skills or content has been taught to the student and directions for completing the assignment have been made clear to the student;
2. The teacher promptly evaluates homework and gives feedback to the student;
3. Homework should be consistent with maturity, achievement level and ability of the student;
4. The parents should be informed of homework procedures.

Amount of Homework:

1. The amount of homework will vary according to intensity and difficulty of the subject matter;
2. Students should be given adequate time to complete assignments;

3. The following is a suggested guide for time allotments:

<b>Grade Unit</b>	<b>Daily (Monday-Thursday)</b>	<b>Week</b>
1 - 3	15-30 minutes	1 hour
4 - 6	30-60 minutes	2 hours
7 - 8	1 hour	4 hours
9 - 12	2 hours	8 hours