

HOMEWORK

The board believes that homework is a constructive tool in the teaching/ learning process when geared to the needs and abilities of students. Purposeful assignments not only enhance student achievement but also develop self-discipline and associated good working habits. As an extension of the classroom, homework must be planned and organized; must be viewed as purposeful to the students; and must be evaluated and returned to students in a timely manner.

Homework may be assigned for one or more of the following purposes:

- A. Practice -- to help students to master specific skills which have been presented in class;
- B. Preparation -- to help students gain the maximum benefits from future lessons;
- C. Extension -- to provide students with opportunities to transfer specific skills or concepts to new situations; and
- D. Creativity -- to require students to integrate many skills and concepts in order to produce original responses.

The purposes of homework assignments, the basis for evaluating the work performed and the guidelines and/or rules should be made clear to the student at the time of the assignment.

The school principal shall establish guidelines which clarify the nature and use of homework assignments to improve school achievement.

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