Homework/Make-Up Work

Homework

Homework is defined as school-related assignments by a teacher, or through mutual agreement of the student and teacher, which will require time and effort outside of the regular classroom for successful completion.

The Board of Education considers homework to be an important part of the instructional program, because when it is properly implemented students will:

- 1. Develop regular study habits and the self-discipline basic to effective study and the ability to work independently;
- 2. Gain more information than would be possible in the classroom situation alone;
- 3. Have more opportunity to develop a personalized, creative approach to projects and other school work;
- 4. Learn to budget their time more effectively;
- 5. Come into contact with out-of-school learning resources.

The Superintendent and staff will develop an effective homework program for all students in all grades. Guidelines for assignment of homework, instruction in the techniques and methods for doing homework, duties of students in the techniques and methods for doing homework, duties of students and staff in regard to homework, informing parents about their responsibilities in this area, and the relation of homework to the grades and evaluations of each student.

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.

Make-up Work

Students will be given the opportunity to make up school work missed because of an excused absence and to receive full credit if the work is turned in according to a reasonable make-up schedule. Students who miss school work because of unexcused absences shall be given the opportunity to make up missed work for full or reduced credit at the option of the teacher.

INSTRUCTION

If the student's absence was due to suspension, the teacher may require the suspended student to complete any assignments and tests missed during the suspension.

Students who miss school work because of truancy or other deliberate actions should not expect to receive credit for the time missed, nor should they expect to take any missed examinations for credit. The final decision should rest with the teacher, who may make allowances for mitigating circumstances.

Legal Reference:

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48205 Absences for personal reasons

48913 Completion of work missed by suspended student

48980 Parental notifications

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

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