HOMEWORK

The board believes that homework is a constructive tool in the teaching/ learning process when geared to the needs and abilities of students. Assignments must be purposeful and manageable by students. They should 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. Homework will be evaluated and where the purpose is beyond drill and practice will be reported to students in a timely manner.

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

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