

POLICY NO. ASD-S-359

Homework

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Subject	Homework
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Policy Statement

Anglophone South School District recognizes that appropriately assigned homework can provide valuable support to the learning process and increase the achievement levels of students.

Homework:

- Must have a clear academic purpose and be used to support student learning outcomes
- Should help prepare students for new learning
- Can be used to check for student understanding and support remedial and enrichment programs
- Should be relevant and promote student ownership and enthusiasm for meeting or exceeding academic objectives

Homework is also a valuable communication tool between the parent and teacher that helps monitor students' achievement, progress and challenges. It should be used to build routines, responsibility and time management skills.

Procedures/Guidelines

- Grades K-2 At this level, homework should foster positive attitudes and habits, permit appropriate parent involvement and reinforce learning of simple skills addressed in class. Homework may be a mix of numeracy and literacy (for example, a set number of minutes for the child and parent to read to each other). It is recommended that no homework be assigned for weekends.
- Grades 3-5 The recommendation is ten minutes per grade level, not exceeding 30-45 minutes at upper elementary per evening. At this level, homework will play a more direct role in improving achievement.



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Grades 6-12 The recommendation is ten minutes per grade level. At high school level homework may be more, depending on the academic program the student is in, and it plays an important role in improving student learning and achievement.

Projects assigned should be worked on during class time; however, it may be necessary for the project to be completed at home as not to take away from instructional time. Students should have clear expectations on project work. Teachers at the middle and high school levels should coordinate the number of projects assigned to students so a student is not completing a number of projects during the same time period.

Homework should not be:

- A means to teach something new
- A form of punishment