

## **AR 6154 HOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORK**

The principal and staff at each school shall develop a homework plan which includes guidelines for the assignment of homework and describes the responsibilities of students, staff and parents/guardians. The plan shall inform parents/ guardians as to how much time on homework will be expected and how homework relates to the student's grades.

### **Homework for Elementary Grades**

Students should be expected to spend an average of 30 minutes on homework at the primary level and an average of 45 minutes at the intermediate level four through six, four or five days a week.

Kindergarten homework assignments should stimulate students to talk often with their parents/guardians. Parents/ guardians should be encouraged to read to their children.

Homework assignments in grades one through three should promote the development of skills and encourage family participation.

In grades four through six, homework should continue to reinforce skill development and encourage family participation. Assignments should help develop good personal study habits and may include occasional special projects. Teachers should instruct students on how to develop good study techniques and habits.

Homework assignments should not require use of encyclopedias or other specialized materials unless sufficient time is allowed for students to get such materials from the library.

### **Homework for Grades Seven through Nine**

Students should be expected to spend an average of one to one and a half hours on homework, four or five days a week.

Teachers of academic subjects should provide regular homework activities which promote the development of skills and provide students with the opportunity to grow academically.

The teaching staff should coordinate assignments so that students do not receive an overload of homework assignments one day and very little the next.

## **Homework for grades 10 through 12**

Students should be expected to spend an average of two to two and a half hours on homework, four or five days a week.

To help students learn to use time effectively, homework assignments should emphasize independent research, reports, special reading, and problem-solving activities.

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