

Homework

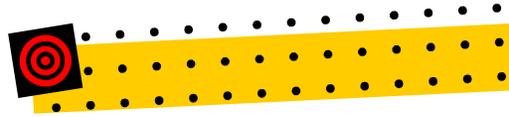
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Homework can benefit children in many ways. It can help students to develop good study habits and organizational skills, develop self-discipline and independence, and develop a sense of responsibility. Homework reinforces skills and concepts learned in the classroom. It is a communication link between home and school.

Perhaps the most important purpose of homework is to improve reading skills and develop an appreciation for reading. Substantial research demonstrates that children learn to read by reading, and that reading success generally translates into success in school. Children should read and be read to every night.



Tips for Kids

The responsibility for completing homework is yours. Complete your work carefully and with pride. Make sure to bring it in on time!

Bring instructions home and write down your assignments. Don't leave school without knowing what is expected of you.

Try to find a study buddy to help if you are absent.

Read daily for pleasure.



T.E.A.M.—Together Everyone Achieves More

# Our Homework Contract: Together Everyone Achieves More— T.E.A. M.

Weekends and holidays should be time for families to enjoy activities. To the best of our ability, we will not schedule homework during these times. It is important for everyone to complete their daily homework assignments. It is also important for your teacher, your parents and you to be part of the T.E.A.M. for success. Your teachers will explain their individual homework policies. Please read these tips, sign that you agree to be part of the T.E.A.M. by completing your assignments, and return to your teacher.

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## Tips for Parents

Prior to your child beginning homework, review agenda and folders with your child. Empty as necessary.

Establish a schedule and routine for homework. Aid your child in planning and scheduling after school activities.

Provide a comfortable place to complete homework. When necessary, help your child to pack supplies for "homework on the go".

Encourage your child to be accountable for assignments.

Review completed homework and sign reading log or agenda.

Do not do or correct the homework for your child. Help your child to find the correct answer.

An average of ten minutes of homework per grade level is considered a "reasonable" amount of time. Reading each night is in addition to this guideline.



Let the teacher know if your child is frustrated. Together you can make a plan for success.

Read with your child daily.

Parents should encourage children to pack up all homework before bedtime as part of their daily routine.

If your child is absent for 2 or more days with an illness, please contact the main office and request homework be sent home or picked up. Homework will be available at the end of the school day.



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