

## **HOMEWORK**

- 1.0 Staff may assign meaningful homework appropriate to the specific needs and goals of students.
  - 1.1 The term “homework” refers to tasks assigned by teachers and intended for completion outside the classroom or class period. When designed properly and completed carefully and thoughtfully, homework is an effective instructional activity that enhances student learning. Homework offers additional practice of academic skills, prepares students for upcoming lessons, and/or elaborates on introduced material.
  - 1.2 The specific type and amount of homework varies depending upon grade level, subject, and the individual needs of the student or class.
- 2.0 School Responsibilities:
  - 2.1 Develop site-based homework guidelines in accordance with this policy to ensure articulation of school homework guidelines with other schools in its feeder system.
  - 2.2 Notify parents annually of building homework guidelines.
- 3.0 Teacher Responsibilities:
  - 3.1 Clarify the specifics of homework assignments, including purpose, connection to in-class instruction, and due date.
  - 3.2 Provide clear, timely feedback regarding student performance on homework.
- 4.0 Student Responsibilities:
  - 4.1 Ask for clarification if an assignment or its due date is not understood.
  - 4.2 Complete homework assignments thoroughly, thoughtfully and neatly.
  - 4.3 Submit homework assignments on time.
- 5.0 Parent Responsibilities:
  - 5.1 Realistically assess the time required to meet the needs of their student’s education, being mindful that other activities may infringe on time available for academic success.
  - 5.2 Encourage and motivate their students to complete both class work and homework to the best of their abilities.
  - 5.3 Assist their students in setting aside a time(s) and place in which to complete homework assignments.
  - 5.4 Contact their student’s teacher(s) via e-mail, voice-mail, letter, or in person regarding any questions or concerns about homework.