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HOMEWORK

The board believes that homework - as long as it is properly designed, carefully planned, and geared to the development of the individual student - meets a real need and has a definite place in the educational program.

The superintendent will develop regulations for the assignment of homework according to these quidelines:

- 1. Homework should be a properly planned part of the curriculum, extending and reinforcing the learning experience of the school.
- 2. Homework should help children learn by providing practice in the mastery of skills, experience in data gathering and integration of knowledge, and an opportunity to remediate learning problems.
- 3. Homework should help develop the student's responsibility by providing an opportunity for the exercise of independent work and judgment.
- 4. In assigning homework, a teacher should consider a student's age and mastery of skills, need for playtime, and/or out-of-school responsibilities and activities, which often aid a student in developing interests or tastes. However, the homework grade is dependent on performance by the student.
- 5. As a valid educational tool, homework should be clearly assigned and its product carefully evaluated.
- 6. The schools should recognize the role of parents by suggesting ways in which parents may assist the school in helping a child carry out his/her responsibilities.