

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: HOMEWORK

SHALER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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130. HOMEWORK

1. Purpose

Homework assignments should complement the school instruction. The assignments should develop student responsibility and accountability, good study habits, and organizational skills.

The purpose of homework shall be as follows:

1. To foster the principle that homework is a constructive tool to aid learning.
2. To review, reinforce, and extend important classroom learning.
3. To prepare for classroom instruction.
4. To develop skills needed for independent work.
5. To stimulate initiative, creativity, and responsibility.

2. Guidelines Title 22 Sec. 12.2

Each student shall be responsible for completing homework assignments as directed.

Homework should not interfere with the proper development of the student's health.

3. Responsibility

Homework will not be assigned as a form of punishment.

The teacher is responsible for the following:

1. Becoming familiar with the district's homework policy.
2. Making assignments meaningful, educational, and relevant.
3. Developing a procedure for evaluating assignments.
4. Communicating to the student the importance of homework and its impact upon grades.

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5. Notifying parents if the student's assignments are habitually late, incomplete, or unsatisfactory.
6. Individualizing homework to the extent possible.
7. Avoiding overloading a student by using reasonable amounts depending upon age, individual needs, and complexity of assignments.
8. Seeing that the student has the proper skills and materials to complete assignments.
9. Attempting to coordinate assignments with other teachers.
10. Ensuring that students are aware of the goals of the assignment.
11. Preparing assignments for parents whenever a student is ill. Parents should provide ample opportunity for the school to prepare assignment.

References:

State Board of Education Regulations - 22 PA Code Sec. 12.2

