

7.34 HOMEWORK

The Board of Education believes that homework is essential to student learning and improved academic success and meets a real need to support the educational program. Assigned homework should be aligned to the curriculum, carefully planned, and based on individual students' needs to meet their learning goals.

Homework may be assigned to help the student become more self-reliant, learn to work independently, improve the skills that have been taught, read with family, and extend learning opportunities. Homework assignments also afford a way for families to acquaint themselves with grade level state standards and support their child's educational progress.

Homework should be risk-free to foster academic success and to achieve personalized learning goals, not add to family and student stress and anxiety. Homework as practice or extensions to classroom learning is of benefit and should be an effective and meaningful part of a student's learning experience. Homework cannot count more than 10% of a student's grade for the grading period. **Incomplete or missing homework assignments will not be addressed with punitive consequences.**