

# Sacramento City USD

## Board Policy

### Homework/Makeup Work

BP 6154

#### Instruction

The Governing Board recognizes that homework contributes toward building responsibility, self-discipline and life-long learning habits, and that time spent on homework directly influences students' ability to meet the district's academic standards. The Board desires that district and site homework standards be developed. The Board expects students, parents/guardians and staff to view homework as a routine and important part of students' daily lives.

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

The Superintendent or designee may ensure that administrators and teachers develop and implement an effective homework plan at each school site. As needed, teachers may receive training in designing relevant, challenging and meaningful homework assignments that reinforce classroom learning objectives. Teacher expectations related to homework may be addressed in their evaluations.

(cf. 4115 - Evaluation/Supervision)

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

Although it is the student's responsibility to do most homework assignments independently, the Board expects teachers at all grade levels to use parents/guardians as a contributing resource. When students repeatedly fail to do their homework, parents/guardians shall be notified and asked to contact the teacher.

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

To further support students' homework efforts, the Superintendent or designee may establish and maintain telephone help lines and/or after-school centers where students can receive encouragement and clarification about homework assignments from teachers, volunteers and/or more advanced students who are performing community service. The Board encourages the Superintendent or designee to design class and transportation schedules that will enable students to make use of homework support services.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

(cf. 1700 - Relations between Private Industry and the Schools)

(cf. 6142.4 - Learning through Community Service)

Makeup Work

Students shall be given the opportunity to make up school work missed because of an excused absence and shall receive full credit for work that is turned in according to a reasonable make-up schedule. (Education Code 48205)

(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)

Students who miss school work because of unexcused absences may be given the opportunity to make up missed work for full or reduced credit. Teachers shall assign such makeup work as necessary according to a reasonable makeup schedule to ensure academic progress, not as a punitive measure.

The Board encourages teachers to give suspended students full credit for work that is turned in according to a reasonable make-up schedule.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48205 Absences for personal reasons

48913 Completion of work missed by suspended student

58700 Tutoring and homework assistance program; summer school apportionment credit

Management Resources:

SBE POLICIES

Parent Involvement in the Education of Their Children, 1994

Policy Statement on Homework, 1995

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