



CANYON VIEW ELEMENTARY HOMEWORK PLAN



Homework Plan Grades K-3

Purpose Statement:

Completion of homework builds personal responsibility and self-confidence

Kindergarten: Engage in independent thinking while producing work that reflects classroom learning.

First Grade: The purpose for first grade homework is for your child to practice and apply what has been learned in class.

Grades 2-3: Homework provides students with the opportunity to independently apply information they have learned and complete unfinished assignments.

Appropriate Parent/Guardian Involvement

Set up a consistent organized distraction-free place for homework.

Help your child establish either a consistent schedule for completing homework or help him/her create a schedule each week that reflects that particular week's activities

Prompt your child by reviewing the directions and the completed work.

Encourage your child but if the work cannot be completed, contact your teacher.

If your child is practicing a skill, ask him/her to tell you which steps are easy, which are difficult and how she/he is going to improve.

There is a strong correlation between reading to or with children every day and increased student achievement.

If you have any concerns about homework, please see your classroom teacher and adjustments can be made for each individual child.

Informing Parents and Guardians

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade	Third Grade
<p>The Kindergarten team will communicate our homework policy at Back to School Night, during Parent Conferences, on our website, in the principal's newsletters and on the Homework Cover Sheet</p> <p><u>Time:</u> Homework will be a hard copy weekly contract sent home on the first day of the week and due on the last day of the school week. After 10 minutes, please stop your child, even if she/he is not done and make sure you communicate this on the assignment</p> <p><u>Grading:</u> Homework is not factored into a student's grades. It is used as a tool to develop responsibility for learning.</p> <p><u>Independent Reading</u> There is a strong correlation between reading to or with children every day and increased student achievement.</p>	<p>Homework expectations will be reviewed at Back to School Night, during Parent Conferences, on our website, in the principal's newsletters.</p> <p><u>Time:</u> A homework packet will be sent home at the beginning of each week and is due on Friday. Each child should have a daily reading experience up to 10 minutes Monday – Thursday. In addition, each child will have academic practice to complete as part of the weekly homework contract. In general, daily homework should not take longer than 20 minutes.</p> <p><u>Grading:</u> Homework is not factored into the grades but each child receives an effort grade for "Completes homework and assignments on time."</p> <p><u>Independent Reading</u> There is a strong correlation between reading to or with children every day and increased</p>	<p>The homework policy will be communicated at: Back to School Night Via the Website Principal's newsletter Conferences</p> <p><u>Time:</u> Homework will come home nightly and should take no longer than 20 minutes.</p> <p><u>Grading:</u> Homework is not factored into the grades but each child receives an effort grade for "Completes homework and assignments on time."</p> <p><u>Independent Reading</u> There is a strong correlation between reading to or with children every day and increased student achievement. Each child is encouraged to have a nightly reading experience.</p>	<p>The homework policy will be communicated at: Back to School Night Via the Website Principal's newsletter Conferences</p> <p><u>Time:</u> Homework will come home nightly and should take no longer than 30 minutes.</p> <p><u>Grading:</u> Homework is not factored into the grades but each child receives an effort grade for "Completes homework and assignments on time."</p> <p><u>Independent Reading</u> There is a strong correlation between reading to or with children every day and increased student achievement. Each child is encouraged to have a nightly reading experience.</p>

	student achievement.		
Student Access			
Students will be provided all necessary learning materials.			
Coordination of Assignments			
Each grade level team works together to create a weekly homework. Students are encouraged to read nightly; specific reading assignments may be given.			
Homework and Absences or Suspensions			
Students are encouraged to complete missed homework within 3 days of their absence or suspension.			
Homework and Academic Breaks			
Homework will not be assigned during academic breaks.			



CANYON VIEW ELEMENTARY HOMEWORK PLAN

Homework Plan Grades 4-6



Purpose Statement:
<p>It is recognized that homework, like all educational curriculum, should be developmental in nature. In this light, we will strive to build all academic programs from a developmental perspective beginning in early grades. Additionally, we will make every effort to progress over the years to an academic level that will help assure success at the high school level for those individuals who take advantage of the opportunities afforded them. It is further recognized that in order to accomplish this goal, students need to be nurtured in such a manner to ensure the most positive experience we can envision for each child. Clearly, children need a combination of free time and meaningful work to progress. The word balance is the key, and it is, by necessity, determined on a student-by-student basis.</p> <p><u>Purpose</u></p> <p>The homework in sixth grade will connect to one of the following goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Practice concepts and skills taught in class to check for understanding or develop mastery. ● Preview assignments to prepare for subsequent lessons ● Extend assignments to transfer new skills or concepts to new situations ● Create activities to integrate many skills toward the production of a response or product ● Support creative, logical, critical, evaluative, and analytical thinking ● Develop and strengthen study habits and responsibility.
Appropriate Parent/Guardian Involvement
<p>Help set up a consistent organized place for homework to be done. Help your child establish a consistent schedule for completing homework Encourage, motivate, and prompt your child, but do not sit with your child and do the homework for them. When bedtime comes, please stop your child, even if they are not done. Communicate with the teacher(s) if your child is consistently not able to do the homework independently or if they are spending too much time on homework.</p>

Informing Parents and Guardians		
Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade	Sixth Grade
<p>We will communicate our homework policy and homework expectations on or at:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Canyon View webpage Back to School Night Parent Conferences</p> <p><u>Time</u> Students should expect 30-45 minutes in the first term. As they adjust to upper grade expectations, the amount of time will increase to 40-50 minutes.</p> <p><u>Grading</u> Homework will be used in determining student's effort grade. There will also be a separate indication of homework responsibility on the student report card.</p> <p><u>Independent Reading</u> Students are encouraged to read independently daily. Homework assignments will include the practice of reading skills, but we hope that reading for pleasure as well as for information will become a daily routine for our students.</p>	<p>We will communicate our homework policy and homework expectations on or at:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Canyon View webpage Back to School Night Parent Conferences</p> <p><u>Time</u> Students should expect 50 minutes of homework nightly.</p> <p><u>Grading</u> Homework will be primarily used in determining a student's effort grade; whereas Science and Social Studies study guides are credited toward achievement grades. There will also be a separate indication of homework responsibility on the student report card.</p> <p><u>Independent Reading</u> Students are encouraged to read independently daily. Homework assignments will include the practice of reading skills, but we hope that reading for pleasure as well as for information will become a daily routine for our students.</p>	<p>We will communicate our homework policy and homework expectations on or at:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Canyon View webpage/Blackboard Back to School Night Parent Conferences</p> <p><u>Time</u> Students should expect 60-70 minutes of homework nightly.</p> <p><u>Grading</u> Homework will be used in determining student's effort grade, and no more than 10% toward the achievement grade. There will also be a separate indication of homework responsibility on the student report card.</p> <p><u>Independent Reading</u> Students are encouraged to read independently daily. Homework assignments will include the practice of reading skills, but we hope that reading for pleasure as well as for information will become a daily routine for our students.</p>
Student Access		
All homework activities will be accessible to all students, regardless of resources at home.		
Coordination of Assignments		
Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade	Sixth Grade
During the first term, teachers will coordinate assignments so that students do not receive an excess of 30-45 minutes of daily homework assignments. During the remaining terms, teachers will coordinate assignments so that students do not receive an excess of 40-50 minutes of daily homework assignments.	Teachers will coordinate assignments so that students do not receive an excess of 50 minutes of daily homework assignments.	Teachers will coordinate assignments so that students receive 60-70 minutes of daily homework assignments. This will be adjusted and monitored to meet individual student needs.
Homework and Absences or Suspensions		
No student will have their grade reduced or lose academic credit for any excused absence. Students will be allowed an equal number of days missed plus one for missed assignments and tests to be satisfactorily completed.		
Homework and Academic Breaks		
Teachers will be considerate when assigning homework due the day after a religious holiday and district assigned school breaks and weekends.		