

FILE: IHB

HOMEWORK

The Jefferson Davis Parish School Board believes homework should be for well-defined purposes and reasons which the teacher and students understand. It should be used as a teaching tool only, and should be of such nature that the students can be expected to accomplish it independently, or with very little help from parents or siblings.

Homework should be clearly assigned and carefully evaluated for the student's benefit. It shall not be given as busy work or as punishment. Homework shall not be counted as a grade. Homework shall not be given on holidays. In grades 1 and 2, homework shall be limited to an amount which can be accomplished under normal conditions in approximately one-half hour.

In grades 3 through 8, homework should require no more than one to one and one-half hours in all subject areas. This may not always be possible, but it should be a goal.

In the upper grades, homework may be for development of reasoning and thought processes or creative express, especially on a voluntary basis.

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