



Brassfield Elementary School Homework Policy

TEACHER'S JOB

- Clearly explain all assignments and due dates to students in the classroom.
- Assign homework that will extend classroom learning or will reinforce skills/strategies taught in class.
- Assignments will be varied and require the use of a number of skills.
- Check homework for quality and completion.
- Coordinate assignments among grade level teachers to keep within the time allotments.
- Clearly communicate to **students** and **parents** about missing or incomplete assignments.
- Homework will be included as a work habit and will be marked as such on the student's quarterly report card.

STUDENT'S JOB

- Understand the assignment and ask questions if you don't!
- Record homework assignments each day.
- Turn in your work on time.
- **Do your best work each day.**
- **Read independently each night** – this is the only practice which will make you a better reader.
- **Assign yourself** – Practice reading, writing and problem solving every day.

PARENT'S JOB

- Provide a study area that is quiet, comfortable, and free from major disturbances.
- Provide a definite time for study or other homework activities.
- Make available, if possible, such resource materials as reference books, magazines, newspaper, dictionary, and/or the public library.
- Monitor your child's daily and/or weekly assignment sheets/books and long-range assignments.
- Encourage your child to complete homework on their own as much as possible and assist only as needed.

Time Allotments

Kindergarten and Grade 1	15-20 minutes per day
Grade 2	20-30 minutes per day
Grade 3	35-40 minutes per day
Grade 4	40-50 minutes per day
Grade 5	45-60 minutes per day

OUR JOB: THE PURPOSE OF HOMEWORK

Homework will improve student achievement. It is one of the many learning activities in which students engage; its purposes should be to:

- **Provide practice of skills** in applying concepts initially presented in the classroom.
- Provide opportunities for enrichment, **independent work** and study.
- Strengthen **positive work habits** and study skills.
- Develop initiative, responsibility, self-direction, and organizational skills.

