

Policy

HOMework/MAKEUP WORK

The Little Silver Board of Education believes that homework relevant to material presented in class provides an opportunity to broaden, deepen or reinforce the student's knowledge. Teachers must use discretion in deciding the number and length of assignments. The board encourages the use of interrelated major homework assignments such as term papers, themes and creative art projects.

Homework falls into the following categories:

- A . Practice - given to help students master specific skills and to reinforce material presented in class;
- B . Preparation - given to prepare students for upcoming lessons;
- C . Extension - given to decide if students can transfer new skills and ideas to new situations. Extension assignments require abstract thinking skills; and
- D . Creativity - given to help students synthesize skills and ideas to produce a requested response. These assignments usually take more time to complete, several days, even weeks.

Homework shall not be used for punitive reasons.

Students absent for any reason must make up assignments, classwork and tests within a reasonable length of time. In most cases, a reasonable length of time shall be the same number of school days as the days missed.

Students being excused for any reason must make arrangements with the teacher of the missed classes in order to make up the work missed. This must be done before the absence from class.

Incompletes

It is the student's responsibility to see that homework assignments are handed in or are ready to be checked on the due date assigned by the teacher. Late homework will be accepted upon review by the teacher.

In middle school, grade level teams may develop their own rules for handling late or incomplete homework with the approval of the school principal.

If work critical to the student's understanding of the subject is not made up by the end of the next marking period, the grade for that subject area may be an "F."

If work is missing during the final marking period of the school year, the grade will be left to the discretion of the teacher. The teacher who has given an incomplete is responsible for reporting to the student the work he/she has missed and citing the consequences mentioned above.

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Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties
N.J.S.A. 18A:36-14 Religious holidays; absence of students on; effect
N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20 Powers of board (county vocational schools)
N.J.A.C. 6A:32-10.1 et seq. Summer School Sessions

Possible

Cross References: 1320 Participation in out of school community activities
*1322 Contests for students
*5020 Role of parents/guardians
*5113 Attendance, absences and excuses
*5124 Reporting to parents/guardians
*6145 Extracurricular activities
*6153 Field trips
6174 Summer school

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.