



Fourth and Fifth Grade Homework Policy

Homework is an important part of your child's education. These assignments reinforce what is learned during the school day. Building good organizational skills and work habits will be a joint effort between teachers, students, and parents. Ultimately, it is the **student's responsibility** to ensure his or her homework is completed and turned in on time. Each student will be given a folder at the beginning of the school year. This folder will have a place for students to keep their homework that is to be taken home and brought back to school.

All homework assignments will be written on the board for the student to copy in his or her planner. It is the student's responsibility to keep track of his or her daily and weekly assignments. All homework is due the next day unless otherwise noted. Please check your student's planner to help them remember this important task. Students are responsible for packing their own backpacks at the end of the day. Teachers will not pack backpacks for students. Homework that is not completed because it has been left at home or school is still considered late. Homework assignments will be posted on the fourth/fifth homework website. Homework assignments will not be emailed. In addition, items such as worksheets and spelling lists will not be emailed. This is to greater promote student responsibility and self-sufficiency.

All homework is due first thing in the morning. All homework must be done in a neat and complete manner. Homework is to be done in the student's **own handwriting** unless typing or another method is specifically requested. Students will not be allowed to call home or see a parent to get forgotten homework. Homework turned in after the collection time **will be considered late**. If an assignment is not completed on time, the student will receive a ten point deduction per day the assignment is late. If a student fails to turn in homework, they will be required to stay in at recess to complete the assignment. Once the assignment is completed, students may read, study, or work on other assignments. They may not talk or play. Doing so will result in greater disciplinary action. **Homework done during recess is still considered late**. Students will also fill out a homework notice to be signed at home if they fail to turn in homework on time.

Our student handbook states that students are allowed as many days as they are absent to complete make up work when they are sick and must miss school. For example, if a student is absent on Monday, his or her work will be due on Wednesday. Any make up work turned in late will be subject to the late point deduction. Students will be responsible for weekly assignments and tests regardless of absences. If a student is informed about a test, they will be required to take it as soon as they return to school. If homework is requested for a planned absence such as a family trip, the work will be due the day to the student returns to school in order for the student to receive full credit.

Students are given an appropriate amount of homework based on their grade level in order to prepare them for the amount of homework they will have in the next grade. Please expect the amount of homework to increase as the school year progresses. If students consistently bring home work that has not been started, they are not using their class time wisely.

We have included a quick list of rules that will be placed in your student's folder. Please discuss this homework policy with your child. We thank you for your help and cooperation. Together we can have a successful school year!

Homework Policy Reminder

(Keep in your folder at all times)

It is your responsibility to keep track of your assignments and turn them in on time. No one else can do this for you.



Homework must be turned in before specials to be considered on time.

All homework should be done in your handwriting.

It is your responsibility to see your teachers for make up work. You have one day for every day you are absent to complete your make up work.

You lose ten percent from your grade for every day your homework is late.

You can't do your homework if you leave it at school! Stay organized, bring your work home, and bring it back to school to turn in.

Homework is posted on the fourth and fifth grade homework website daily.

If your homework is not done, you must stay in for the entire recess to complete it. During this time you may not talk or play. Doing so will result in missing an extra day of recess.

