

HOMEWORK

CRCS is a school of choice and it is assumed that parents will be involved in their children's education. The length of the school day is 1.5 hours longer than area public schools, allowing students to complete more work each day at school. Homework should be given on an as need basis, not a daily occurrence. There may be instances where students would benefit from extra practice at home; unfinished classroom work and long-term projects are not considered to be homework and will need to be completed at home.

The board believes that the purpose of homework is to support classroom learning through pre-learning, checking for understanding, practice, and processing. Given these parameters, listed below are guidelines to be followed when designing homework assignments:

Guidelines:

- A. Homework should have a positive effect on a student's sense of competence and accomplishment. Homework that requires assistance is not effective homework.
- B. Homework should be made relevant to students so they can take ownership of it. To promote ownership, homework tasks should allow for choice, offer students opportunities to personalize their work, allow students to share information about themselves, tap into feelings or opinions, and allow students to create products and presentations.
- C. Homework should be assigned for academic purposes only, NEVER for punishment.

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