

# Northeast Elementary Magnet School Homework Policy

According to researchers, there are two ways to increase students' opportunities to learn: (1) to increase the amount of time that students have to learn, and (2) expand the amount of content they receive. Homework is an opportunity for students to spend time learning, to supplement and reinforce work done in school, to extend learning and practice skills and to develop independence and responsibility.

These are the guidelines of Northeast's Homework Policy developed by the staff at Northeast. This policy was designed specifically to inform parents and to let students know what is expected of them.

## **HOMEWORK EXPECTATIONS:** Student's responsibility:

1. To record assignments in his/her Daily Agenda Book (Agenda Books for grades 3-5 only),
2. To clarify with the teacher any questions regarding the assignment(s),
3. To return missed assignments due to absences, one day will be allowed for each day absent,
4. With aid of parents, assignments will be carefully checked for completion and neatness,
5. Turn in assigned work on time.

Teachers will be reasonable regarding the amount of homework and length of time required for completion. Below are average daily time allotments for each grade level:

Kindergarten – 10 minutes  
First grade – 20 minutes  
Second grade – 30 minutes

Third grade – 40 minutes  
Fourth grade – 50 minutes  
Fifth grade – 60 minutes

## **EVALUATION:**

- All assignments will have a proper heading
- All work will be accurate, legible and neat
- Work not completed will be entered as a "O" in the grade book

## **CONSEQUENCES:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Offense – verbal warning
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense – written note home
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense – student will serve a Homework Obligation Detention either before school or after school for up to 30 minutes

Students may not always view homework as a pleasant task, but if assignments serve a good purpose and parents reinforce the completion of the tasks, students will benefit by gaining better study habits and a more positive attitude toward school.

**\*\*Please sign and return the bottom of this paper. You may keep the top for reference to the homework policy.**

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My child and I have read and discussed the Northeast Homework Policy.

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_