

Peters Township School District

Policy: 6154

Title: Homework Adopted: 10/15/79 Revised: 5/19/08

6154. HOMEWORK

1. Definition

Homework is properly defined as any work planned or approved by the teacher to be completed by the student outside of the regular classroom without the immediate and direct supervision of the teacher.

2. Guidelines

Philosophy

We believe:

- 1. Homework can be an integral part of the total education of the student when it provides the opportunity for the student to:
 - a. Practice, apply, integrate, or extend school learning.
 - b. Reinforce and/or develop independent work habits and study skills.
 - c. Use home, school, and community resources.
 - d. Develop responsibility.
- 2. Homework must be relevant to the curriculum and based on student needs, capabilities, and/or interests.
- 3. Homework must be planned and evaluated with respect to its purpose, appropriateness, and completion time. It is recognized that homework is one component of a child's day and that out-of-school experiences are also valuable.
- 4. Homework will not be assigned as a form of punishment.
- 5. Courses should not be judged by the amount of homework assigned. Some courses may necessitate minimal or no homework.

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Title 22 Sec. 12.2	6. Each teacher, student, and parent/guardian has a responsibility for ensuring the success of homework assignments:
	a. The teacher for following district, building and departmental guidelines when assigning homework.
	b. The student for completing the assignments according to the criteria established by or with the teacher.
	c. The parent/guardian for providing the work area, time, and conditions necessary for the student to complete the assignments appropriately.
	<u>Objectives</u>
	Objectives for assigning and completing homework will include one (1) or more of the following:
	1. To reinforce learning through the practice, application, integration, and/or extension of knowledge and skills.
	2. To develop study skills, work habits, and responsibility.
	3. To promote originality and creativity.
	References:
	State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.2