

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your partnership in your child’s education. These homework guidelines are intended to make you aware of your child’s daily homework. Homework is an essential part of your child’s learning. The new concept that they learned in class will be mastered more quickly if they are able to reinforce that learning with a short practice at home.

Most students work best by having a specific location at home for their homework time (a desk in the living room, the kitchen table, etc.). Establish a regular routine, when possible. Consider giving your child a set time for play after school, and then come in for a set time for their homework. Guide your child with questions when applicable. For example, if your child says, “I don’t know how to do this,” you could respond with, “Where would you start?” or “What would you do first?”

Our grade level guideline is that your child should have an average of up to 60 minutes of homework each night. Some nights will be a little less, and some a little more. If your child is consistently working more than 60 minutes on homework each night, please let me know.

| Subject Area | Average Minutes per Night |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Classics | 10 mins |
| Math Homework | 30 mins |
| Recitation | 10 mins |
| Literature | 10 mins |
| History/Science Test Prep | As needed to prepare for tests |
| Projects | Will vary depending on project |

Our grade level works on the following project(s) at home during the school year. Please work a little each day on these projects so that your child will not be overwhelmed.

| Project | Dates | At-Home Portion |
|----------------------------|--------------|--|
| Odyssey Project | October | Creating either a board game, shoebox diorama, or 3D monster |
| Ocean Animal Project | January | Creating a 3D model of an ocean animal |
| Latin America Presentation | May | Creating a presentation, making a food item, and finishing a research project (much of this is done at school, but some of the research, writing, and creating will need to be done at home) |

