

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL HOMEWORK POLICY

While we believe homework is an important part of your child's education and a serious responsibility of each student to complete in a timely manner, we don't want any child to feel overwhelmed or defeated by unreasonable amounts of work. We want your child to experience the excitement of learning and to develop the skills necessary for success. Therefore, we are adopting a homework policy suggested by the Paterson Diocese.

Grades 1 - 3 maximum of 30 minutes per night

Grades 4 - 5 maximum of 1 hour per night

Grades 6 - 8 maximum of 2 hours per night

Grades 4 – 8 No one should be spending more than 20 minutes per subject on written homework each night. If they are, please stop them, make a note on the homework for the teacher's review and move onto the next subject.

When a child is absent due to illness or family emergency, they will be given a reasonable amount of time to make up their assignments.

If an unforeseen circumstance occurs in your family that prevents your child from completing an assignment, please don't hesitate to send a note of explanation to the teacher and assure your child of the teacher's understanding.

Please note that long term projects and assignments should be worked on a little at a time. If your child chooses to leave this until the last minute, this becomes additional work over and above a regular nights assignment.

You can help your child develop some routines that will be of assistance in successfully completing assignments. The following suggestions are offered for this purpose.

1. Ask your child if he/she has homework that day. By asking, you are helping them to remember that there is an assignment.
2. Become interested in your child's homework. Ask him/her to show and explain the completed work. Sharing your child's work reinforces the importance of homework and helps the child to understand that you are interested in their progress.
3. Remember that homework is your child's work. You may have to provide some guidance but it shouldn't become your assignment.
4. Help your child set a regular homework time each day and remain with that commitment.
5. Provide your child with a quiet place to work that is free from distractions.