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## **HOMEWORK**

The Aurora schools recognize that homework can serve an important role in the education process. Homework should be regarded as an opportunity to provide independent practice of skills learned during class time, enrichment activities and application of specific skills, knowledge and facts.

Assignment can serve as a means of providing a bond of common effort between parent, student and teacher. The school staff shall notify parents and students of homework requirements and solicit parental awareness and support in the homework process.

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Homework is defined as learning experiences that are initiated at school and continued outside of the classroom. The assignments directly relate to class work/discussions and are appropriate to the students' grade level and capabilities.

Purposes of homework:

- To reinforce classroom learning by providing independent practice of knowledge and skills learned during the school day.
- To develop independent study habits, efficient use of time, and planning for and completing homework on time.
- To inform parents/guardians of learning goals and expectations.

Qualities of homework:

- Assigned tasks are relevant to classroom instruction.
- Learning objectives are clear to students and parents.
- Assignments are differentiated.
- Feedback on homework is precise and timely.

Amount of homework:

- **Regardless of age, nightly reading is recommended.** Parents/guardians are encouraged to read aloud to their children in English or in their native language.
- The amount of homework assigned considers the needs and demands of family life and health of students.
- Recommended guidelines for the amount of homework assigned:

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<b>Grade Span</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Time Ranges</b>
K-1	1-2 days per week	10-15 minutes per day
2	2 days per week	10-30 minutes per day
3	2 days per week	15-30 minutes per day
4	2-3 days per week	15-30 minutes per day
5	3-4 days per week	15-30 minutes per day
6-8		A minimum of 2 and a maximum of 5 hours per week (total of all classes)
9-12		A minimum of 3 and a maximum of 10 hours per week (total of all classes)

Building principals shall annually include information on homework expectations to students, parents, and teachers via newsletters, student handbooks, Back-to-School Night, and technology-based communications.