

HOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORK

The Board of Trustees recognizes that homework contributes toward building responsibility, self-discipline and life-long learning habits, and influences students' ability to meet the district's academic standards.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that administrators and teachers develop and implement an effective homework plan at each grade level. As needed, teachers may receive training in designing relevant, challenging and meaningful homework assignments that reinforce classroom learning objectives.

Although it is the student's responsibility to do most homework assignments independently, the Board expects teachers at all grade levels to use parents/guardians as a supporting resource. When students repeatedly fail to do their homework, parents/guardians shall be notified and asked to contact the teacher.

Makeup Work

All students shall be expected to complete all assignments and tests missed during an excused absence that can reasonably be provided. The teacher of any class from which a student has an excused absence shall determine, pursuant to regulations of the Board, what assignments the student shall make up and in what period of time the student shall complete such assignments. Tests and assignments may be the same as those missed, or shall be reasonably equivalent to them as set forth in the Education Code. Students will be expected to complete assignments missed or due during their absence within the timeframe equal to the length of the absence, or up to a 10-day maximum. If absences or makeup work timelines occur during grading periods, an incomplete will be given until such time as the work is complete and credit can be given. Incompletes do not count in the calculation of Grade Point Average. Satisfactory completion within the required time period will be eligible for full credit. If a student is absent on the day that an assignment is due, the assignment must be turned in on the student's first day back to receive credit. If a student is absent on the day of a test, the test must be taken on the student's first day back to receive credit.

Unexcused Absences

Unexcused absences are those which do not come under any of the definitions of excused absences. Students who have unexcused absences may be denied makeup privileges. Such absences may be reflected in the student's final grade. Students who are absent for less than five days should follow the procedures for excused absences. Students with unexcused absences of five to ten consecutive days should apply for an independent study agreement, three school days prior to the onset of the unexcused absence.