



Dear Fifth Grade Families,

In fifth grade the curriculum becomes more challenging and practice is essential to be successful. Therefore, I can't begin to express how important it is for your son or daughter to consistently complete and turn in all homework assignments.

Teacher's Role:

- 1) I will post all assignments on the assignment board daily
- 2) Check agendas at Pack and Stack time.
- 3) I will return all graded homework promptly.

Student's Role:

- 1) Complete agenda daily.
- 2) Ensure all necessary papers are in S.T.A.R organizational file
- 3) Pack all necessary books and supplies in backpack during pack and stack
- 4) Get agenda signed during pack and stack by Mrs. Edgar or guest teacher.
- 5) Discuss with your family what you are doing in school often.
- 6) Get your agenda signed by your family member after you have completed your homework.
- 7) Pack your backpack before you go to bed each night to eliminate those "oops I left it at home" mishaps.

Family's Role:

- 1) Set aside a consistent time each evening for your son or daughter to complete all homework assignments.
- 2) Help your son or daughter as needed but please do not give him or her answers. Problem solving is a huge portion of what students must be able to do daily.
- 3) Ask your son or daughter regularly about his or her homework.
- 4) Check and sign agenda daily
- 5) Have your son or daughter pack their backpack for school the night before so they do not forget any materials at home.



How much time should be spent on homework nightly?

*Time spent on homework will vary according to the student. I expect that students in fifth grade will spend approximately 50-60 minutes per night on homework. In addition to this time, students should read for 30 minutes.*

Will there be homework on the weekend?

*I do not typically assign homework on the weekends. However, if your son or daughter fails to use their time wisely on long term assignments or projects, he or she may in fact have homework during the weekend. Please note, however, that reading is required on the weekends for one day only. There is a space for the student to mark this reading time on his or her reading logs.*

What if an assignment is late?

*If a student does not have his or her homework in class, on the due date, a "late homework" slip will be sent home to be signed by the parents. The work must be returned the next day. If homework is more than one day late 10% will be subtracted from the student's assignment grade. After the third late homework slip, the student will be required to attend a "Study Skills and Organization Session" that will be offered before school starts at approximately 7:30 A.M.*

My homework policy may seem strict but it is set in place to ensure all students are successful with fifth grade. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

