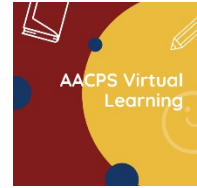




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## Homework in the Hybrid/Virtual World



### Elementary

#### Primary Grades

Teachers should not assign homework for Grades K-2, rather students should be encouraged to spend 10 - 15 minutes each day independently working through Reading i-Ready and Math i-Ready online games. *Note: i-Ready time completed in Academic Flex should count as the assigned homework minutes for students.*

#### Intermediate Grades

Homework for Grades 3-5 should not exceed a total of 45 minutes per school day. This time includes 10-15 minutes of Reading i-Ready and 10-15 minutes of Math i-Ready online games each day. Other homework may be assigned but should only be counted as completed or not and should be assigned only when necessary to minimize students work expectations outside of the school day. *Note: i-Ready time completed in Academic Flex can count as the assigned homework minutes for students.*

### Secondary

#### Middle School

Middle School students should spend 10-15 minutes of Reading i-Ready and 10-15 minutes of Math i-Ready games each day. Teachers should monitor time devoted to i-Ready. *Note: i-Ready time completed in Tools for Success should count as the assigned homework minutes for students.*

Additionally, Middle School students *may* have about 15-20 minutes of homework 2 times per week per course (completing classwork, reading independently, working on performance-based tasks, etc.). This work should be assigned only when necessary to minimize students work expectations outside of the school day. Whenever reasonable, students who are not engaged with their teacher in Small Group instruction should be afforded the opportunity to work on any assigned work to support minimizing work time outside of the school day.

## High School

Homework at the High School level should be approximately 30 minutes per night 2 times per week for each course (standard/honors). Teachers **cannot** try to make up for fewer contact hours by increasing homework time. Homework **should not** be given if it is not needed and does not enrich the learning for students. This work should be assigned only when necessary to minimize students work expectations outside of the school day. Whenever reasonable, students who are not engaged with their teacher in Small Group instruction should be afforded the opportunity to work on any assigned work to support minimizing work time outside of the school day.

For AP and IB courses, more time is allowed, but again teachers **cannot** try to make up for fewer contact hours by increasing homework time. At maximum, teachers should use the same homework guidelines you used in the physical classroom. Teachers should consider assigning no more than 45-60 minutes of homework per week.

## Important to Remember

All assigned work is due by 10pm Sunday evening. Although a teacher may assign a deadline earlier in the week, during these COVID times, students have until 10pm Sunday evening to turn in their weekly work for full credit. Teachers can give somewhat larger assignments with deadlines that are set into the future – beyond the week in which the assignment was given.

## Homework – Outside the limit of 15 Grades/Quarter

As has been the case over the years. Homework is outside of the **maximum of 15 graded assignments/quarter** (see new [grading regulations](#)). However, please realize that we are very serious about not overloading students with work. Please choose your homework wisely. Practice is important for learning, but we do not want to overload students with large quantities of practice homework that takes large quantities of time, but rather, when appropriate, provide reasonable meaningful homework assignments to allow them to apply what they have learned in class.

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