

Is homework part of my child's report card?

Yes. The Ontario Report Card includes **Homework**

Completion as one of the essential learning skills.

The following criteria are used to determine if your child's homework needs improvement, is satisfactory, is good, or is excellent.

- * completes homework on time and with care
- * comes to class prepared for learning
- * completes tasks by designing innovative procedures
- * puts forth consistent effort
- * follows directions and completes all homework tasks
- * shows attention to detail
- * demonstrates interest and enthusiasm in homework assignments
- * organizes materials and equipment effectively
- * begins work promptly
- follows directions and completes tasks

Tonight's homework is *recreational* *reading*. and ...

Kindergarten might include:

- share and discuss topics of study and monthly calendar activities/practise getting dressed independently
- answer questions from parents that require more than a yes/no answer
- discuss the pictures in a story

Grade 1

might include:

- memorize address and telephone number
- participate nightly in Snuggle Reading Club
- count out loud by 2s, 5s, 10s
- practise printing of upper and lower case letters

Grade 2

might include:

- share and discuss topics of study and monthly calendar activities

- practise reading word study lists

- collect materials related to science or social studies topics

- practise basic addition and subtraction facts to 20

Grade 3

might include:

- wrk with parents to complete assignment begun in class
- read passages of a library book with an adult/older sibling
- study spelling lists
- independently organize materials needed for school

Grade 4

might include:

- review and share information recorded in student planner
- study for tests
- work on projects requiring research or construction at home
- edit written assignments with help

Grade 5

might include:

- use student planner to clarify homework instructions
- read from novel studied in class
- complete portions of assigned projects (eg. science)
- study for tests (eg. French)

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Homework is any of:

Teacher initiated:

- Completing or reviewing daily work
- Projects or assigned home activities
- Updating or completing notebooks
- Preparation for tests
- Enrichment activities

Parent initiated:

- Extra practice to help solve problems and make decisions using critical and creative thinking
- Reading for enjoyment from a variety of sources
- Extending assignments to go beyond class work and develop their creative ability

Student initiated:

- Sharing new learning with the family
- Playing educational games with family and peers
- Involvement in everyday home activities
- Learning first language and cultural traditions

HOMEWORK POLICY

Homework at Edenrose Public School



At Edenrose, we work to enable each student to succeed in school. Successful students make connections between what is taught in school and what is experienced outside the classroom. When these connections are made students may be acquiring or consolidating new knowledge; they may be practising new skills, or they may be preparing for future learning experiences. This is homework.

How Can Homework Help?

Improves communication -

- ◆ student achievement improves when parents, students and teachers share what is happening in class

Provides practice time -

- ◆ skill development requires practice. Homework provides practice time for skills necessary in reading, writing, mathematics, research, and so on.

Connects learning -

- ◆ students remember information better when it is connected to something personal. Asking your child questions about what they are learning in school will improve their understanding of concepts and information.

The Peel District School Board supports the inclusion of homework in school programs, and recognizes the need to communicate clearly and effectively the learning expectations related to homework. Homework is described as those learning activities that are associated with the in-school program and which are completed outside the classroom.

In Peel schools, it is expected that homework will:

- supplement and support in-school experiences through related out-of-class activities;
- encourage the development of self-discipline and good work habits;
- help to develop positive and enthusiastic attitudes towards independent study and lifelong learning;
- assist students in preparing for subsequent planned learning activities;
- acquaint parents with the student's in-school learning experiences and strengthen the essential links between home and school and be a positive experience