

Orestimba High School
Homework Plan
2018-19

Purpose of Homework

The purpose of homework is to increase knowledge, inspire creativity, improve ability and practice skills. Meaningful and appropriate homework is a relevant extension of the classroom that can positively affect student learning.

Amount of Time Spent on Homework

The amount of time spent on homework for a high school student will vary by grade level and courses taken. Homework should not exceed 2 hours, each night. The exception would be for the student who takes multiple Advanced Placement or Honors courses.

Supporting Students

All students are assigned a study hall period. During that class they will have 2 to 3 hours per week to devote to working on homework. Students also have before-school support by teachers to get help on homework. Our After School Program also provides a place for students to go and get help with their homework. Students have access to their assignments and course content through Canvas and PowerSchool.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

Parents should provide a place for their children to be able to work on homework. Homework is for reinforcing skills and extending the learning. The work should be able to be done independently. Work done at home should not require significant assistance from the parent/guardian. Long-term projects should have clear benchmarks with which to monitor progress toward completion.

Communication with Parents/Guardians on Homework

Every class will have a syllabus posted in Canvas and presented at Back-to-School night. Homework will not exceed 15% of the grade. Each class will inform the student and family how to get support when needed for the specific subject. Parents can expect grades to be updated within 2 weeks of each assignment's due date.

