

SMS HOMEWORK GUIDELINES AND EXPECTATIONS

Education has been said to be the number one civil rights issue of our children's generation. Unlike any other time in our history, education is the key to personal advancement and career success. Seymour Middle School believes that learning occurs not only in the classroom by means of teacher instruction, but through student practice, repetition, and reinforcement of those classroom lesson concepts.

Research suggests that the amount of time that a student spends on homework is reflective of the student's current grade level equivalent to ten minutes per grade level. For example: 1st grade=10 minutes; 3rd grade=30 minutes. For SMS students, homework is assigned according to the following parameters: 6th grade = 60 minutes; 7th grade = 70 minutes; 8th grade = 80 minutes.

Teachers work collectively to determine who will assign homework each evening and how much is assigned. If a student is spending too much or too little time on homework, please call or E-mail the teacher and discuss the situation. For more information, please refer to "The Benefits of Homework" link on our SMS home page.