345.3 HOMEWORK

The Board recognizes that a reasonable amount of study and preparation outside of the regular school day is necessary for the intellectual growth of students. Homework should have a valid educational purpose and should pertain to the objectives of the unit under study or the course being taken.

The Board also recognizes that the amount of homework will vary dependent upon a variety of factors unique to the learning environment of each classroom. The Board recognizes that the professional staff has discretion as regarding the amount of homework that is required. Further, it recognizes the value of student participation in home, school, and community activities, which contribute to the broader educational development of students. Homework

should not be unduly restrictive of the student's opportunity to participate in these activities.

The Board believes that students can develop better study habits and attain a higher level of achievement if they are permitted to study or begin homework assignments during class time, at the discretion of the classroom teacher.

The Board expects that homework content and procedures should be understood by students so that they are able to successfully complete the assigned tasks and activities with their own resources.

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