



CALGARY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Administrative Regulation 3066 - Homework

The Calgary Board of Education is desirous of promoting the development of good study habits. It believes that home study can contribute to this objective as well as to the reinforcement of learning. Two kinds of study are recognized, the completion of written or "hand-in" assignments, and the informal study of material related to the subjects under study in school. While the Board is anxious to promote the supportive role of the home in the child's education, it is anxious at the same time not to interfere with the child's pursuit of other wholesome non-school interests of educational, cultural, or recreational value.

1. Since home study should promote and reinforce sound study habits, school administration, in co-operation with the appropriate teacher committees, will prepare and distribute "Guides to Home Study." These will be distributed to all pupils in Grades 1-9.
2. The assignment of formal exercises for completion is the prerogative of the teacher, but every encouragement shall be given to pupils (and parents) to set aside some regular time each evening for home study.
3. The nature and amounts of home study recommended are as follows:
 - a. Division I: The motivation which comes from parental interest in children's school work can be valuable to a child. Parents and teachers should encourage children to read from books suggested by the school. Pressures can bring about negative results. No formal assignments shall be made, but from 5 to 10 minutes of systematic study per night is recommended.
 - b. Division II: Formal assignments may be given at the discretion of the teacher, particularly for pupils who need special attention or help, but in general, assignments should be of the reading or study type. Parents should be made aware of the teacher's general requirements with respect to home study, and the Board's expectations as set forth in section 2 above, but no school requirement should exceed 20 minutes in length.
 - c. In the junior high school, pupils are expected to study from one-half to one hour per school night.
 - d. In senior high school, the following home study times are recommended:

Grade X	- 1 1/2 hours per evening
Grade XI	- 2 hours per evening
Grade XII	- 2 hours per evening

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