

# HORACE MAYNARD MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## **Definition and Purpose of Homework:**

The purpose of homework is to create a greater understanding of specific objectives through independent practice. This work is done outside the class or at home.

## **Homework can be further defined as:**

- Practice or review of material already mastered in class, such as skills practice or studying for a quiz or test.
- Introduction of new material to be presented in future lessons such as reading or researching a topic.
- Extension of knowledge, which involves applying something previously learned to a new situation and/ or extending that knowledge to real life situations.
- Integration of skills learned in class through a project such as book reports, creative writing, history, science or math projects.

## **Parents Involvement Regarding Homework:**

A parent's role in homework is to encourage quality work, promote effective study habits and support their child's effort in taking responsibility for his/her own learning. Our goal is to help children to become independent problem solvers, self-directed learners and quality producers. Parents are encouraged to check their child's progress on the school's Engrade system and converse with those teachers through e-mail from the Engrade system.

<http://www.engage.com/> is the website for this and your child should have their password and login.

By doing homework and practicing at home, you should notice an increase in your child's test performance, project grades, and being able and prepared for class participation.

## **Consequences of Late Work:**

This policy is for students that are in class but do not turn in their work.

<b>First Day Late</b>	<b>-20 Points</b>
<b>Second Day Late</b>	<b>-30 Points</b>
<b>Third Day Late</b>	<b>-40 Points</b>

**The Engrade system will show an "M" for work that can be made up and a zero for work that was not made up.**

- **NO MAKE UP WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE FOURTH DAY LATE.**
- **IF A STUDENT IS ABSENT THE POLICY STILL FOLLOWS OF HAVING FIVE DAYS TO MAKE UP THE WORK. IF THE STUDENT FAILS TO MAKE UP THE WORK IN THE ALLOTTED FIVE DAYS THEN THE LATE WORK POLICY WILL BE IN EFFECT.**

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**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_