

## **EBS HOMEWORK POLICY**

### We believe that:

- Students spend 6 or more hours a day in school, and they need time to play outside of school hours,
- Students should be able to get the allotted work done during class time,
- “Drill and Kill” (rote memory work) is not an effective tool,
- Student productivity will be increased if they do not have conflict at home over homework,
- Parents are free (and indeed encouraged) to review their children’s schoolwork at home.

### The following types of assignments may be sent home:

- Individual or group projects
- Work will be sent home if a student is struggling in a certain subject or with a certain topic (marks will not be removed for unfinished supporting work),
- Each student is encouraged to read with his/her parents for a minimum amount of time EVERY NIGHT – the amount of time suggested will depend on grade level (see below).
- Teachers will send home topics that will be covered in advance on a bi-weekly basis.

### Nightly reading recommendations are as follows:

- K & Cycle 1 10-15 minutes
- Cycle 2 15-20 minutes
- Cycle 3 20-30 minutes

### “Homework” that is proven to promote student success:

- Eat dinner together as a family
- Read together
- Play outside
- Students should get to bed early for a full night’s rest.