

ISOP HOMEWORK POLICY

1. The Purpose of Homework

- Extend learning and/or provide practice in applying concepts initially presented in the classroom.
- Provide opportunities for independent work.
- Strengthen concepts and skills taught in class.
- Develop initiative, responsibility, self-direction and organizational skills.
- Collect evidence of student understanding and application of what has been taught.
- Provide a risk-free opportunity to experiment with concepts and acquire new knowledge and information through research.

2. Role of the Teacher

- Give clear directions for all assigned work, materials and projects
- Establish clear deadline within which work is to be accomplished
- Differentiate assignments based on students' needs and potential
- Extend opportunities for learning
- Provide support materials and resources for research projects, as needed
- Give opportunities for students to make up work when they miss school because of an excused absence or suspension.
- Develop clear system of assessment specific to the teacher / subject

3. Role of the Student

- To complete and return all assignments and projects by their due dates assigned by the teacher
- Monitor his/her own work and ask for clarification as needed
- When completing projects requiring research, give credit to the source and do not use the author's exact words unless they are placed in quotation marks and appropriately cited.

4. Specific Regulations

- Homework other than reading is not assigned for extended holiday, such as: Winter Break, Christmas Break or Autumn Break, with the exception of: Personal Project, Internal Assessment, ToK Essay or Extended Essay.
- All students must abide Academic Honesty rules (refer to the Academic Honesty Guide on the school website)
- Any case of academic dishonesty will be immediately punished, depending on the severity of malpractice
- Homework may take form of different activities, including: written assignments, reading or practical tasks, experiments, research projects etc.
- Students are to be provided with feedback on their work within two weeks since accomplishment of the homework.
- It is obligatory for a student to be prepared for each lesson.

ISOP TESTING REGULATIONS

1. There can be maximum 1 major test within a day and 3 within a week.
2. Each major test should be announced by the subject teacher at least a week before the test.
3. Teacher should provide students with test feedback within a week with the exception of longer written assignments (i.e. essays- see point 4 above).
4. Quick test may occur every lesson without any announcement.
5. Quick test may include material only from three last topics.
6. Subject teachers may introduce their own specific regulations consistent with the assessment rules and criteria announced to the students earlier.