



SAINT HERMAN OF ALASKA Christian School

an Eastern Orthodox Parish School of the Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church

THE SEVEN LAWS OF HOMEWORK

1. Homework is for the student.
2. Homework is a continuation of classwork and an essential part of the learning process.
3. Homework improves the ability of the student to work independently, think deeply, and integrate knowledge.
4. Parents are part of this process providing time, a quiet place, and needed materials.
5. Parents check that the homework is complete, neat, and turned in on time.
6. We ask parents to refrain from doing the students homework.
7. HOMEWORK: DO NOT LEAVE HOME WITHOUT IT!

METHOD

• *Assignment:*

* Class II - homework is written by the teacher on the homework planner in the communication folder and requires a parental signature each night.

* Middle school - homework is written on the classroom board and recorded accurately by each student in the personal planner provided by the school and requires a parental signature each night.

• **When** - Homework must be done on time. It is best completed by the night before the date due. It is recommended that assignments should be completed gradually over time rather than the last minute.

• *How long:*

* Class II - each student should generally not spend more than one hour on homework per night.

* Middle school - each student should generally not spend more than two hours on homework per night.

• **Schedule** - Each teacher will provide a daily and weekly schedule that divides larger assignments into small increments to help the students complete their assignment on time. We ask parents to check the student's adherence to the schedule and provide a parental signature.

EXCEPTIONS

A) In the event of illness or excused absence:

1) The parent is required to:

- call or inform the classroom teacher and notify the administrator as soon as possible or by 8:15 on the given day.
- ensure that the student communicates with a classmate, and acquires the missed assignment.

2) The student is required to:

- Ask a classmate for the missed assignment and complete it as specified by the teacher.

B) Saint Herman School recognizes that many of the families place a high priority on the liturgical life of the Church. Teachers may reduce or waive homework for major feast days that fall on week days.

MISSING ASSIGNMENTS

Homework comprises a significant portion of each student's grade. Students are expected to fully and correctly complete the assignments on time. Parents will be informed immediately when a student forgets or fails to complete an assignment. The grade for late assignments will be determined as follows:

* Class II - the teacher will determine the time when the student must complete the late assignment and inform the parent.

* Middle school:

- a) - for classes that meet 3-5 times a week, the student will lose 10% for each day the homework is late and will receive 0% after three days unless specified by the teacher.
- b) - for classes that meet 1-2 times a week, students will automatically receive 0% on late assignments unless specified by the teacher,

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____