

HOMEWORK GUIDELINES AT INTERAMERICANO ELEMENTARY

ECE/Elementary School Grading Policy

The grading policy at Interamericano ECE and Elementary works as follows:

ECE reports through standard based report cards.

Elementary reports using the following categories

Math, Language Arts

Formative Assessment		Summative Assessment	
60%	Grade Requires	40%	Grade Requires
Classwork 30%	Minimum 2 per week	Projects 15%	Minimum 1 per term
Quizzes 30%	Minimum 1 per week	Tests 10%	Minimum 3 throughout the term
<u>Differentiated homework is expected to be assigned, however no credit is to be given..</u>		Term Exam 15%	1 Test at the end of the term

Science, Social Studies

Formative Assessment		Summative Assessment	
60%	Grade Requires	40%	Grade Requires
Classwork 40%	Minimum 2 per week	Projects 20%	Minimum 1 per term
Quizzes 20%	Minimum 1 per week	Tests 10%	Minimum 3 throughout the term
		Term Exam 10%	1 Test at the end of the term

Comunicación y Lenguaje

Formative Assessment		Summative Assessment	
60%	Grade Requires	40%	Grade Requires
Classwork 30%	Minimum 1 per week	Projects 15%	Minimum 1 per term
Quizzes 30%	Minimum 1 per week	Tests 10%	Minimum 3 throughout the term
<u>Differentiated homework is expected to be assigned, however no credit is to be given..</u>		Term Exam 15%	1 Test at the end of the term

Estudios Sociales, Productividad y Desarrollo, Physical Education, Music, Art, Technology

Formative Assessment	
100%	Grades Required
These subjects work on project base learning.	Minimum one per session.

Please Consider the following:

You may notice that on the grading policy as described above, no category for homework has been assigned. This means that we do not need to report a grade for HW, but we may assign it, if needed. If we assign HW, this one will be checked by the teacher and students will get the corresponding feedback but it will not be recorded or reported as no weight or percentage is assigned to HW.

For subjects such as Math, LA, and Idioma Español, we may assign differentiated HW when needed. This means that HW will be assigned, only if students need to have extra practice at home in order to reach the class objectives. If assigned it must be:

- ✓ Meaningful to the student
- ✓ The task must be one that the student may carry it out on its own.(no supervision or re-teaching should be needed to do it)
- ✓ The length of the assignment must follow time frame suggested on the chart.

Grade 2	20 min
Grade 3	30 min
Grade 4	30 min

Grade 5	45 min
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Subjects such as Estudios Sociales, Art, P.E. Social Studies, Science, Music, Technology or Pro D do not to assign HW, at all.

*Science and Social Studies may assign HW as long as it is integrated with LA.

Since this is pretty much a new routine at our community, we will have to embrace the change ourselves, educate our students and parents as well. Below a few links of interesting and recent articles on the subject.

<http://www.edutopia.org/blog/research-trends-is-homework-effective-youki-terada>

<http://www.ascd.org/publications/educational-leadership/mar07/vol64/num06/The-Case-For-and-Against-Homework.aspx>

http://www.salon.com/2016/03/05/homework_is_wrecking_our_kids_the_research_is_clear_lets_ban_elementary_homework/