

Excursion/Homework Policy
Lifeskills Effort, Organization, Responsibility

Our goal is that each child establishes a pattern of completing homework regularly.

In the Nature Academy, there are consequences for not completing assignments, the most troubling being establishing a pattern of failure.

Your child may miss an excursion (distance-determined) or not be allowed to participate if she or he fails to submit work. If your child has difficulty completing an assignment, please send us a note indicating that you're aware of the situation and detailing the extenuating circumstances. Again, developing solid study habits is the goal.

SLV Nature Academy Homework Policy

Four Strikes and You're Out...

Homework is due at 8 a.m.

On time but incomplete work = one strike

Missing Assignment = two strikes

Four strikes and you're out! (will not participate in the next excursion)

If the assignment is missing or incomplete **TURN IT IN THE NEXT SCHOOL DAY!**
Strike boxes reset after each excursion.

If your child misses an excursion, she or he will be expected to complete the "Missed Excursion Assignments Packet" as well as all missed assignments.

We highly recommend

Homework Without Tears by Lee Canter (available from Amazon.com, etc)

Some Tips

We go over assignments each day.

•Ask to see your child's Assignment Sheet (6th) or Action List (7/8). If it's blank, insist that your child has the teacher initial each day to signify that the list is complete. In 6th grade, there is generally homework Mon.-Thurs. and in 7/8 there is homework Mon-Fri. Occasionally, your child may choose to work on a weekend project.
Children should read NIGHTLY! (seven days/week)

•Rather than, "Did you do your homework?" ask "Let's take a look at / I'd like to see/ Let's go over your assignments..."

•Set up a stocked, settled, specific homework area.

•Schedule homework time. Build a pattern for success.

•Assignments should be completed and in your child's backpack the **night before** an assignment is due. Too many children finish work only to leave it on a desk.