

ELECTRONIC HOMEWORK POSTING GUIDELINES

In an effort to increase communication among the teachers, students and parents of Rutherford Public Schools and to expand the use of technology, all teachers are required to post homework and long-term class assignments online.

The following guidelines have been developed to direct the posting of assignments.

1. Teachers will post homework assignments for each day that class is in session. Posting of assignments once for the entire week is acceptable as long as the assignments are edited to ensure accuracy.
2. Long-term projects and due dates will be listed.
3. For classes that do not have regularly assigned homework (such as certain computer classes, physical education classes, art, drama, music, etc.), the posting will be updated once a month to reflect projects/activities on which the class is currently working. For classes where individualized instruction occurs (such as speech and basic skills), the teacher will provide contact information for parents.
4. Students are required to write down homework assignments in class. Online posting is meant as an aid for students and parents and is not a substitute for writing down homework and important dates in planners. Internet outages, webpage outages, or lack of Internet access will never suffice as an excuse for missed assignments.
5. Although teachers are required to keep the online posting current, there may be infrequent occasions that it is not possible to provide updates as planned, due to unusual circumstances such as website problems, illness of a teacher, etc. Therefore, the assignments posted are subject to change. As the primary source of assignments remains the classroom, delays in posting homework online will almost never be an acceptable excuse for any student to miss an assignment. In addition, teachers frequently make adjustments to the homework schedule based on work and activities accomplished in the classroom each day. Every effort will be made to update the online posting; however, changes may not always be reflected on the website. Teachers should be mindful of those students who legitimately used the online posting as a source of an assignment, such as those students who have prepared work in advance, or have been on an extended absence from the classroom.
6. Access to teacher homework links will be maintained on the Rutherford Public Schools website.

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