

Willow Springs Elementary Homework Policy

Willow Springs Elementary School's homework policy will follow the guidelines and recommendations of the Wake County Public School Board Policy 5510: Homework. It would be difficult to site the numerous homework options that teachers could assign students, however, we believe the following:

- We believe that homework is an important part of the educational program and should be assigned on a regular basis.
- The purpose of homework is to reinforce learning by providing practice and application at home.
- Homework assignments should be continuations or extensions of the instructional program and appropriate to the students' developmental level.
- Homework is considered practice and will be reflected in the Work Habits grade.
- Teachers will follow the below guidelines for minutes of homework per day:

Kindergarten	up to 20 minutes per day
First Grade	up to 20 minutes per day
Second Grade	up to 30 minutes per day
Third Grade	up to 50 minutes per day
Fourth Grade	up to 50 minutes per day
Fifth Grade	up to 50 minutes per day

- Homework assignments are not to be given as punishment or busy work.
- Based on feedback from our Parent Summit, teachers will work to assist families in budgeting time for homework, by providing any appropriate homework assignments a week in advance in the Friday folders.