



## All about Homework at Scotts Ridge Elementary

The 2016-2017 school year has kicked off to a great start! Over the course of the first six weeks of school our leadership team and staff have had several discussions about the effectiveness of homework on our Sailors' academic achievement.

One belief we share is the importance of students growing as a whole child. We feel that a student's growth benefits not only from the learning that happens each day at school, but also by engaging in family discussions, physical activity outside playing, and participation in extracurricular activities. There is an increasing body of evidence that homework does not increase student achievement for elementary aged children; therefore, as a school we have made modifications to our homework policy for the 2016-2017 school year. We hope these updates to our homework policy will allow children more opportunities to partake in authentic learning opportunities outside of school.

### The following are school-wide grade level expectations for homework:

- Kindergarten: Read 10 minutes each night
- First Grade: Letterland practice and read for 10 minutes each night
- Second Grade: 15-20 minutes of reading that may include a written response
- Third Grade: 100 total minutes of reading a week, optional math fluency or problem solving practice
- Fourth Grade: 20 minutes of reading, a reading response menu, math practice
- Fifth Grade: 30 minutes of reading, math practice

If you are looking for at-home support for the math your child is learning at school, Wake County has created a **Math at a Glance for Parents**. The link for each grade level is below.

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| Kindergarten | Math: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6DZwQOL0--XQ0p4X1pzYWZkRW8/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6DZwQOL0--XQ0p4X1pzYWZkRW8/view</a> |
| First Grade  | Math: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8GIl16A224YdTJsZVVQM2Nlb00/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8GIl16A224YdTJsZVVQM2Nlb00/view</a> |
| Second Grade | Math: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8GIl16A224YckF0M0ptaGozWUk/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8GIl16A224YckF0M0ptaGozWUk/view</a> |
| Third Grade  | Math: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6DZwQOL0--XMjFYNIJZzhJcDQ/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6DZwQOL0--XMjFYNIJZzhJcDQ/view</a>   |
| Fourth Grade | Math: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6DZwQOL0--XS3FZUVQzY1o1Z1U/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6DZwQOL0--XS3FZUVQzY1o1Z1U/view</a> |
| Fifth Grade  | Math: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6DZwQOL0--XajZIWXdUd1hSYWc/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6DZwQOL0--XajZIWXdUd1hSYWc/view</a> |