**HOMEWORK POLICY LETTER**

To the Parents/Guardians of _________________________________________________:

**Why I Assign Homework:** I believe homework is important because it is a valuable aid in helping students make the most of their experience in school. I give homework because it is useful in reinforcing what has been learned in class, prepares students for upcoming lessons, teaches responsibility, and helps students develop positive study habits.

**When I Assign Homework:** Homework will be assigned Monday through Thursday nights. All assignments will be found in their Homework folders; there will usually be a math, ELA, and spelling assignment each night. Assignments should take students no more than 20 minutes to complete each night. Spelling assignments should be completed in the Spelling Homework Notebook that was given to your child. A spelling test will be given at the end of each week.

**Students’ Homework Responsibilities:** I expect students to do their best job on their homework. I expect homework to be neat, not sloppy. I expect students to do the work on their own and ask for help only after they have given it their best effort. I expect that all assignments will be turned in on time (every Friday).

**Teacher’s Homework Responsibilities:** I will check all homework and return it in a timely manner. Because I strongly believe in the value that positive support plays in motivating children to develop good study habits, I will give students encouragement and offer helpful feedback when they do their homework.

**Parents’ Homework Responsibilities:** Parents play an important role in making homework a positive experience for their children. Therefore, I ask that parents make homework a top priority, provide necessary supplies and a quiet homework environment, set a daily homework time, provide praise and support, not let children avoid homework, and contact me if they notice a problem or have any questions.

**If Students Do Not Complete Homework:** If students choose not to do their homework, I will talk with them to make sure they understand the assignment. If the problem persists, I will contact the parents to discuss possible solutions. Students will lose class participation points if assignments are not turned in starting with the second incomplete assignment. Please read and discuss this homework policy with your child. Then sign the bottom portion of this letter and return it to school.

I have read this homework policy and have discussed it with my child.

__________________________________________  ________________________________
Parent’s Signature                      Student’s Signature

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Date