



# Essex County Vocational Schools

## Essex County North 13<sup>th</sup> Street Tech

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### **HOMEWORK POLICY**

Homework is assigned to ensure and assess student learning. It helps students **review** concepts introduced during the school day; **prepare** to share and present prior knowledge; **reflect** on information learned; and **demonstrate** understanding of learning goals using a variety of methods. Homework also provides an opportunity for students and teachers to identify and assess any lack of understanding of learning goals.

**Completing homework assignments is mandatory at North 13<sup>th</sup> Street Tech.** Homework can take many forms including written assignments; studying; watching the news, a documentary, or various television programs; completing portfolios, projects, or online research; compiling news or magazine articles; etc.

To ensure learning and prevent receiving discipline infractions, students must complete daily homework assignments. Parents are encouraged to contact the principal or vice-principal if a student says that he/she does not have homework for a particular class. Homework may be limited on Fridays. **Please note that computer rooms are open to students at 7:30 a.m. and at 3:00 p.m. and teachers are available to assist students with questions related to homework.** Students are encouraged to seek help using internet learning sites including YouTube.

#### **Consequences for NOT completing homework assignments:**

1. Any student who misses a homework assignment during any given day of the week must serve up to a 1 hour afterschool detention on the day the homework is missed.
2. If homework is missed in a given class, the teacher will e-mail that child's name to other staff. If homework is found to be missed in more than one class, the student must serve the afterschool detention for the first teacher to who notifies the student and staff of the missed homework. If it is found that this student missed homework for another teacher, that student's name will be sent to the vice principal and the student will be issued a Saturday detention.
3. Though the school is not required to call parents for detentions, teachers are encouraged to notify parents about missed homework assignments to discourage the behavior. Students will have access to a phone to inform their parents/guardians.
4. Any student who misses 2 or more homework assignments in any given class within a week must serve Saturday Detention at the Newark Tech Campus.
5. After a 3<sup>rd</sup> missed homework assignment in a given class, a parent conference will be required.