

Sample Summary & Critique

Sample Summary of School Homework Policy

To begin, there are several aspects of our school's homework policy that apply to all teachers' classes. First, all students are required to have their homework at the beginning of class. Many teachers will not accept work after class has already started. Second, few teachers will let you get away with not turning in something. Every teacher will follow up with you in some way. In contrast, there are some ways that teachers differ in their homework policy. Some teachers at our school will allow you to finish the assignment for late credit the next day. However, other teachers will make you finish the assignment that day before you can participate in class.

Sample Critique of School Homework Policy

Although most teachers use a similar homework policy for their classes, there are some differences in these policies that create problems. For example, when different teachers use different policies, students can become confused. The different policies can detract from student learning when students are more focused on remembering the specific homework policy as opposed to just doing their homework. In this way, it isn't very effective to have several unique policies being used across the school. On the other hand, it is sometimes necessary for teachers at different grade levels to use a homework policy that is geared more towards their age students. While 6th grade students may need more leniency to complete homework for late credit, 8th graders should be more than capable of doing the work the first time. It makes sense that they may not get second chances. This is an instance where the differences in homework policies are effective.