**Classroom Rules** - *(Accountability)*

**Grading Criteria** :

* Classroom rules account for 10% of the total grade.
* Failure to adhere to **all** rules will result in a deduction of **at least** 5 points per day

(Teacher will determine points deducted.)

(Repeated behaviors will multiply points lost, i.e., 1X = 5 points, 2X = 10 points, 3X = 15 points)

**Classroom Rules** : (This list is non-inclusive. - Other rules may be added at teacher’s discretion.)

**1. No candy, food, pop, gum, etc. allowed in the classroom.** (Water must be a necessity.)

**2. No talking during quizzes, tests, or presentations.** (This is common etiquette.)

**3. Necessary materials on hand.** (Book, pencil, binder = EVERYDAY!) (Non-science related items put away.)

*\*\*\*\* Distractive devices, such as fidget spinners, are not allowed unless it is stated in an IEP. \*\*\*\**

**4. Close laptops once daily announcements begin**. (This is common courtesy.)

**5. Polite and respectful towards others.** (No swearing, bullying, put-downs, lying, touching, etc.)

**6. Be on time to class.** (3 tardies = 1 detention)

**7. Follows safety practices.** (Throwing objects is not allowed; this includes trash.) (No running into class.)

**8. Work area, materials, and chairs cleaned and put away properly.** (Passes may be given.)

**9. Enter the room quietly and stay attentive until dismissed.** (Do not wait outside the door.)

**10. Do not write or scratch the desks.** (This is the property of the community!) *– Issued a detention to clean all desks!*

**Other Considerations :**

* **I grade & enter grades on Sunday nights.** (Please, please, please, communicate this policy to your parents!)
  + - 1. **PARENT EXPECTATION** : Check Infinite Campus at least weekly to follow student progress.
* **Cheating = 0 points.** (See academic integrity policy.)
* **Do not touch the animals.** (Aquariums / Terrariums are student projects = 3 detentions.)
* **If absent, YOU are responsible for collecting missed work.** (Aim to have tests completed within one week.)
* **If absent, prior assignments must be turned in upon the 1st day back from absence.**
* **In seat and ready to work at the bell.** (Not being seated will result in an unexcused tardy.)
* **Proper use of equipment.** (Intentional abuse will be addressed.)

**Special Rules** : (Applied to each quarter. – Notification does not have to occur in class.)

**1. Cell Phones & Computer Games** (Students should **NOT** have cell phones in class! – **This is your warning!**)

- Cell phone taken to office & loss of 30 daily points.

- Loss of computer privileges (for the day) & loss of 30 daily points.

**2. Sleeping** (Includes no eye contact.) (This is unbelievably **RUDE** and unnecessary – get proper sleep.)

- 1st Offense : Loss of 30 daily points. 2nd Offense : Loss of 30 daily points & detention.

**3. Labs & Activities** (I am an educator, **NOT** an entertainer!)

- Appropriate speaking level is needed to conduct experiments. (My biggest pet peeve!!)

**1 Check** = Warning, **2 Checks** = Loss of 5 daily points, **3 Checks** = Loss of lab

- If Yacker Tracker turns red 3X, the *CLASS* loses the next lab.

**4. Submitting Late Projects**

- Any project submitted late will result in a loss of 30 daily points (1/3 of accountability points)

**5. Pot Of Gold**

- A student may leave the classroom (restroom, book, pencils, etc.) a total of 4 times per quarter.

- Only three students may leave during a given class period.

- Once the classroom passes are used up, the student may no longer leave the room.

**\* *Loss Of Lab*** = 6-8 pages of worksheets as an educational alternative.

May not return to the lab until worksheets are completed.

Lab “alternative” is under the discretion of the teacher. *(Teacher chooses which lab to sit out.)*

**Distraction Policy** :

* Distractive behavior will result in a visit to the principal’s office **and** detention.

**Substitute Teacher Policy** :

* Names written down by a substitute (**at all**) for being a nuisance will automatically result in a detention.