

Classroom Expectations and Procedures

WHAT ARE THE TEACHER'S EXPECTATIONS OF HER STUDENTS?

You are a high school student and have reached a level of maturity that requires you to accept full responsibility for your actions. My expectations are simple and need to be followed.

- **Be smart.** Contribute to the class environment positively at all times.
- **Be respectful.** Treat others the way you would want to be treated.
- **Be responsible.** Take responsibility for your actions.
- **Be ready to work hard.** Hard work is a two-way street. You get back exactly what you put in.

Each student has the right to learn and each teacher has the right to teach free from disruption. The teaching/learning process will not be disrupted by unacceptable student behavior. Golden Valley High School's discipline policy will be enforced in this classroom.

WHAT ARE THE CLASSROOM PROCEDURES?

- **How do I enter the classroom?** My goal is to maximize classroom learning opportunities which should minimize what you are expected to do outside of class. When you arrive in class you should begin working immediately on the assignment(s) shown at the front of class. This problem may be a quick 10-minute quiz problem or a warm-up to review previously learned material, it may be to compile your notes or get ready to turn in your homework.
- **If I turn in any sort of paper, how should I put a heading on my paper?** Daily work should have the following information on the outside top right corner of the paper: Name (first and last), class and period, assignment heading (ie. page number and problems assigned, book page number).



- **How will I be graded on homework assignments?** Grading will be based more on the completeness and quality of the work than on correctness. Late assignments will not receive full credit, but should be completed by the next class period. **Grace** occurs when you spend extra time coming in for help during intervention, brunch or lunch or set up an appointment with me outside of class. It does not extend to allowing incomplete homework assignments unless there are extenuating circumstances beyond your control.
- **How should homework be completed?** All homework should be completed in pencil. All work should be neatly shown and presented in a professional manner. That means there should be some sense of flow to your work that most anyone could follow. Also, graphs and visual displays should be properly labeled and scaled.
- **What should I do if I have been absent from school?** There are two ways to handle an absence. You may receive your work from a class peer or “study buddy”. You may also contact me via email during the school day (8am – 3pm) of the day you are absent to receive any assignments you have missed. It is important that you schedule any in class assignments or assessments with me the very next day that you are in class.
- **What should I do if I need to go to the bathroom?** I will let you go when you are doing individual work, not during lectures, class discussions, or group work. Do not abuse the privilege.
- **Can I bring food and drinks to class?** You may bring bottled water in a spill-proof container. Food and gum is not permitted. 🚫🍷
- **What should I do near the end of class?** My goal is to minimize the amount of wasted classroom time. My expectation is that you are working until I dismiss you for the next class.