

|| USING THE INTERNET IN OUR CLASSROOM

Ms. Shaw's English Class

All pages must be turned in to Ms. Shaw by the end of the second week of class.



THE FIVE GOLDEN RULES

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1. Time on the computer/lpad/phone is limited.

i While we will be using technology in our classroom, we are not going to be on it all the time. It can be bad for our eyes to stare at a screen all day, bad for our backs to bend over at a computer all day, and bad for student's wrists if they are typing all day. Thus, the time students are allowed online is limited so as to protect students. Students will be allowed thirty minutes of "free" technology/online time a week, only to be allowed once ALL work and assignments have been completed.

Students will be respectful of this time limit or they will not be allowed use online or on technology save for when we are doing classwork and assignments that require it.

Arguing, complaining, or lying about time spent on the computer/lpad/phone will not be tolerated. Students will lose their thirty minutes of free time if they argue, complain, or lie about this policy. They may regain it if they comply and are respectful.

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2. Games are not to be played with during work time.

i While there will be thirty minutes of free time for students once a week, there will be absolutely no games played during work time. If a student has completed their assignment, they may move on to another assignment as instructed by the teacher, they may read a book, or they may ask to do a quiet desk activity/game off the internet/technology.

Students who break this rule will lose their thirty minutes of free time. They will regain it if they comply and are respectful.

Alongside this, students who are looking up websites that are not associated with the work we are doing in class will lose their online privileges. Students may not go on chat rooms, video sites (unless the teacher has okayed the video they are watching), or to websites that have not been okayed in class will be in trouble. You will lose your thirty minutes of free time and be sent to the principal's office as well.

3. Cyberbullying is NEVER allowed.

i Cyberbullying is bullying that takes place online. This is NEVER tolerated and not allowed. Students are to treat one another with respect and treat people online with respect as well. Using rude and hateful language disrupts the classroom and is harmful to people. This is also known as the Golden Rule, as people should always strive to be good to one another.

Students who take place in cyberbullying will lose their thirty minutes of free time and will be taken to the principal.

Cyberbullying includes the following:

- Harmful language that demeans or attacks another person
- Threatening or embarrassing someone
- Posting personal information about a person online
- Posting pictures of a person online without their permission
- Harassing someone or engaging in harmful behavior towards another person
- Memes that promote behaviors that are hateful or memes that make fun of a person
- And SO much more.

If you think that something you are doing online could hurt someone, just DO NOT do it. Online we must act nice

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and respectful towards others just the same as we do in real life, because on the other side of that screen is another human being.

4. Copying someone else's work is NEVER allowed.

i Copying someone's work is also known as plagiarism, which is the act of stealing an individual's work and passing it off as your own. This is harmful and not allowed. Even things like pictures are work that someone has done and if we use pictures or use quotations from people we must saying who took the picture or who said the quote. Copying your fellow students homework is NOT allowed, even if they give you permission.

In this class, you must do all the work yourself unless it is a group assignment. Lying about doing something is not okay and is behavior that is bad. If you are having trouble with an assignment, come to me or another student and ask for help. Do not ask them to do the work for you.

It is okay to struggle, but it is never okay to lie.

When you use pictures taken off the internet, you must make certain that you are able to use this picture. We will talk in class about how to tell if you can use a picture online or not. When you use a picture, you must always credit where the picture came from/who took the picture. When you use someone's quote in something you are doing you must do the same.

If you engage in plagiarism, you will lose your thirty minutes of free time and you will be sent to the principal's office. Beyond that, you will lose the trust others have placed in you.

5. When online, ALWAYS pay attention to the teacher's instructions.

i We use technology to help us do things in the classroom. If you are not paying attention to the teacher you will not be able to use the technology in an appropriate way. When online/using technology, you must respect me as your teacher as you do when we are offline and not using technology. When you are using your thirty minutes of free time you must still pay attention.

If I say that we are moving on or not looking at our screens, I need all students to look at me and pay attention. Even when using technology we

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need to remember that we exist in the real world and that technology is the same as using a book or a pencil. It works alongside us.

If you are not paying attention, you will have your thirty minutes of free time taken away. If you continue not to pay attention, or you cause a scene or make it hard for other students to pay attention to the teacher, you will be sent to the principal's office.

These rules exist to help us be productive citizens and to help you be a productive student in the classroom. Breaking these rules will result in the consequences stated and anyone who continues to break rules will be subject to see the principal for further action.

|| THINGS STUDENTS MAY NOT DO ONLINE

1. Students may not go to chat sites online.
2. Students may not go to sites that the teacher has not okayed.
3. Students may not drink or eat anything when using the Ipad or computer.
4. Students may not text or call people when online.
5. Students may not use email as a texting service.
6. Students may not take technology out of the classroom UNLESS the teacher has said it is okay.

Beyond these rules, in our classroom we will have six general rules as to how we will behave in the classroom.

1. Students will treat each other with respect.
2. Students will listen to the teacher and not talk when the teacher is talking.
3. Students will not be on their phones, I pads, computers, etc, when the teacher is talking. If they are using them for class work, they will put them down when the teacher is talking.
4. Students will engage in discussion in the classroom but they will not talk over other students, they will not talk over the teacher, and will wait for their turn to talk quietly.

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5. Students will not bully one another, they will not make fun of one another, they will not laugh at students (jokes are okay unless they are at the expense of another person), and students will be kind.
6. Students will throw away all trash in the trash can.

I, _____, agree to the document and agree that I will not break any of these rules, lest I will be held responsible for my actions and given appropriate punishment. I have read and agree to everything in this document.

I, (parent/guardian), _____, agree to the document and agree that my child must be responsible for all the content mentioned here. I have read and agree to everything in this document.

Parental/Guardian signature: _____

Student signature: _____

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