

# ***EXPECT EXCELLENCE in ELCO HIGH SCHOOL***

## **CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS for STUDENTS**

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### I. Behavior

1. Students are to respect the rights, property, and opinions of the teacher, fellow students, and any visitors in the classroom.
2. Students are responsible for their actions during class - raise your hand to give positive input or ask a question then wait to be called upon.
3. Students will not disrupt the learning process in any way. When working in groups, students are to work quietly and participate equally.
4. Students are to come prepared for class each day with a positive attitude and the proper working materials.

### II. Attendance

1. Students are responsible for regular school attendance, to report to class on time, and to make up work missed due to class absence or tardiness.
2. Students are to enter the classroom, get prepared for class, and be seated **before** the bell rings to begin class.
3. Students will be given two (2) days to make up assignments missed due to an excused class absence and at least one (1) additional day for each excused class absence after the first day absent. Please refer to "Attendance" in your Student Handbook.
4. Students must have a valid pass for a class tardy or early dismissal and are responsible for all work missed while out of the classroom.

### III. Educational Materials

1. Students are responsible for the proper care of all educational materials used in class.
2. Students are responsible for any damage to school property. This includes desks, textbooks, calculators, templates, rulers, compasses, protractors, computers, etc.
3. Students are responsible to maintain a notebook based on the given class notes.
4. Students are responsible for the calculator issued to them in selected classes.

### IV. Classroom Participation

1. Students are encouraged to ask questions when he/she is not clear about a topic or information presented.
2. Students are responsible for participating in class discussions, group activities, board problems, and homework.

### V. Classroom Rules

1. Students are responsible to follow all rules outlined in the Student Handbook.
2. **Be On Time** - Students are to enter the classroom, get prepared for class, and be seated **before** the bell rings to begin class.
3. **Come Prepared** - Students are responsible to be prepared for class. You must bring your text book, your 3-ring notebook/binder, and a pencil(s) to every class and will not be allowed to leave the room for any of these items! Please, do not use **red** ink for your assignments.

4. **Raise Your Hand** - Students are to give positive input or ask a question then wait to be called upon before speaking in class.
5. **Work Quietly** - When working in groups, students are to work quietly, participate equally, and stay in his/her assigned group.
6. **Respect Each Other** - Students are to respect the rights, property, and opinions of the teacher, fellow students, and any visitors in the classroom.

#### VI. Grading Procedures

1. Student grades are based on tests, quizzes, writing activities, projects, homework, and classroom behavior/effort/participation. Please be aware of the school's cheating policy.
2. Homework will be collected regularly and graded upon effort and promptness. Homework must be tried completely and turned in on time to receive full credit. If homework is not completed on time the student will receive a zero for that assignment and must still complete the assignment before the next test. **After the third zero received, the student may be assigned detention at the teacher's discretion. The student will not take the next test until ALL homework is completed up to the point of that test.**
3. Notebooks/binders and in-class work may be collected and graded periodically.
4. Tests & Projects will be announced. Quizzes may or may not be announced.
5. Any student who is dissatisfied with his/her grade on a test may take one retest within one week of the graded test being returned and receive the higher of the two grades provided all missing assignments are completed, student receives extra help from the teacher, another teacher, or an approved peer tutor, and the student displays all positive behaviors previously mentioned. Retesting will take place before/after school by appointment only. **The teacher reserves the right, at any time, for any class/student, to remove or revise this privilege. Final exam exemption status for the course will be determined using the initial test grade and NOT the retest.**
6. Students will receive letter grades based on their overall percentage. Please refer to the grading section in your Student Handbook.
7. Students are responsible to use proper spelling and grammar at all times.
8. Students may be exempt from their final exam provided they meet the criteria using their initial test grades and NOT the retests. Please refer to "Renaissance" in your Student Handbook.
9. Students must notify the teacher one day in advance when wishing to use a Homework or Quiz Exemption. The teacher reserves the right to accept or not accept these at any time for any reason.
10. Quarter grades will be weighted as follows: Tests/Projects (50%), Quizzes (30%), Homework (10%), and Classwork (10%).
11. Final Grades will be calculated using each grade weighted to be a percentage of the final grade: 9 week grade (40%), 18 week grade (40%), and final exam (20%)

#### VII. Classroom Discipline

The student will first be reminded of the appropriate class behavior. Subsequent actions may require detention, parent phone call or parent-teacher meeting, or office referral. Detention may be either held with me or with the office. Please refer to "Discipline" in your Student Handbook.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Course Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please Print) (Please Print)

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_