## Mr. Debes’ Classroom Rules and Regulations

### AP Psychology-Room 148

1. ATTENDANCE

* Please be on time**. Once the bell rings, you should be in your seat and working on the opening activity**. If this is not the case, then you will be considered “late.”
* If you are not in your seat in the classroom when the bell rings, you are missing class time. We will follow school policy with regards to unexcused class tardies. If you are late 3 times in a quarter, I will have to write a cut slip on you and refer it to the office. Furthermore, each late WILL also impact your daily grade.
* Please try to be in class. I understand that there are occasions when you will be out of class (emergency bathroom breaks, necessary visits to the nurse, called to the office, etc.), but you should endeavor to keep these to a minimum. If you take excessive, or lengthy, “breaks” from class, you will lose daily grade points, AND you may not be allowed to be excused in the future.
* Absences: If/When you are absent (for an excused reason), please pick up make-up work as soon as possible. There is a set of shelves by my desk that will contain worksheets/handouts/assignments for the previous week of classes. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO PICK UP THIS WORK & SEE IF YOU MISSED ANYTHING ELSE (notes, class discussion, video, etc.). We will establish a “due date” for any make-up work. If you were absent for an extended period, or if you missed a lot of work, you will need to make arrangements to pick up the missed work **before or after school**. Do not ask me to get a weeks’ worth of work during class. \*If you are absent on the day of a test or a quiz, you will have to make arrangements to make up the test/quiz before or after school. You will not be able to make a quiz/test up during my class or another class, except for study hall\*

1. ATTITUDE AND BEHAVIOR: RESPECT THE TEACHER AND YOUR CLASSMATES!

* Disruptive and rude behavior will not be tolerated and can result in detention.
* Please show respect for teachers and fellow students. This means, among other things, refraining from speaking when the teacher or other students are speaking. I want you to feel free to express yourself (within reason) with regards to the topic of the course/class, but if you would like to contribute to the class’ discussion, raise your hand, and the teacher will allow you time to speak. Disrespect for students, teachers, SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, or other staff can result in detention.
* Please do not get out of your seat without permission.
* Please don’t throw **ANYTHING** in the room (pens, pencils, trash, etc.)
* A large part of this class involves collaboration with other students, participation in group activities, and discussion with the teacher and students. Failure to participate in these activities will result in loss of daily grade points and in detention.
* No sleeping is allowed. Please don’t put your head down and hide your eyes or I will have to assume you are sleeping. You will be asked one time to wake up/pick your head up. If I am forced to ask a second time, you will be required to stand for the remainder of the class period. If you refuse to wake up or to stand, you will be asked to leave the classroom. Sleeping will result in the loss of daily grade points, AND detention.
* Working on other assignments is not allowed.
* Doing hair, applying make-up/lotion, applying perfume/body spray, etc. is not allowed.
* Cell phones should not be out in my class; there is no need to check the time, there’s a clock on the wall. There’s no need to use your phone as a mirror, as you should not be doing your hair/make-up, etc. If your phone is out, I will ask you to give it to me. If you refuse, you will have to go to the main office & talk to an administrator. Do not try to hide your phone behind your purse/book bag, don’t try to text in your lap, etc. If I have to tell you to put a cell phone away, you will lose daily grade points, perhaps ALL of your daily grade points.
* If you do not serve an assigned detention, you will be referred to the main office.

1. GRADING

* Grading policies are covered in more detail in the AP Psychology syllabus.

1. BINDER

* You need a **separate three-ring binder for this class**. This binder should be used to keep your materials organized, in chronological order (DATE EVERYTHING), oldest material/assignments in the front, newest material/assignments in the back. I will not be checking these binders, however, it is very unlikely that you will be successful (in this course, or at the next level) without organizational skills.
* Extra help is available after school. See me to make arrangements.

1. SUPPLIES: PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO CLASS, EVERY DAY! You are responsible for bringing these to class. You may lose points, receive detention, or be sent to an administrator if you fail to bring them with you.

* Blue/Black pen OR a Number 2 pencil
* Three-ring binder, with loose-leaf paper (8” x 11” paper)
* Textbook
* Student planner--You **will not** be allowed to leave without YOUR planner. This is your pass.

If you have any questions or concerns, please see me before or after class. Parents/guardians can contact me at (412) 664-3650, or [jdebes@mckasd.org](mailto:jdebes@mckasd.org). I look forward to a great class!

Please sign below indicating that you have read, understand, and agree to the Rules & Regulations.

Student name (PRINT)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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