

Mr. Buchanan’s classroom rules are posted on the internet. They are accessible via his DASD website. Go to dasd.org and located his website via the staff listings. This document is a compilation of those web pages.

Classroom Rules Overview

Mr. Buchanan has four general classroom rules.

- 1) Be **on time** to class every day
- 2) Actively **participate** in all class activities to the best of your ability
- 3) Be a **responsible** young adult
- 4) Be a good **citizen** of the class

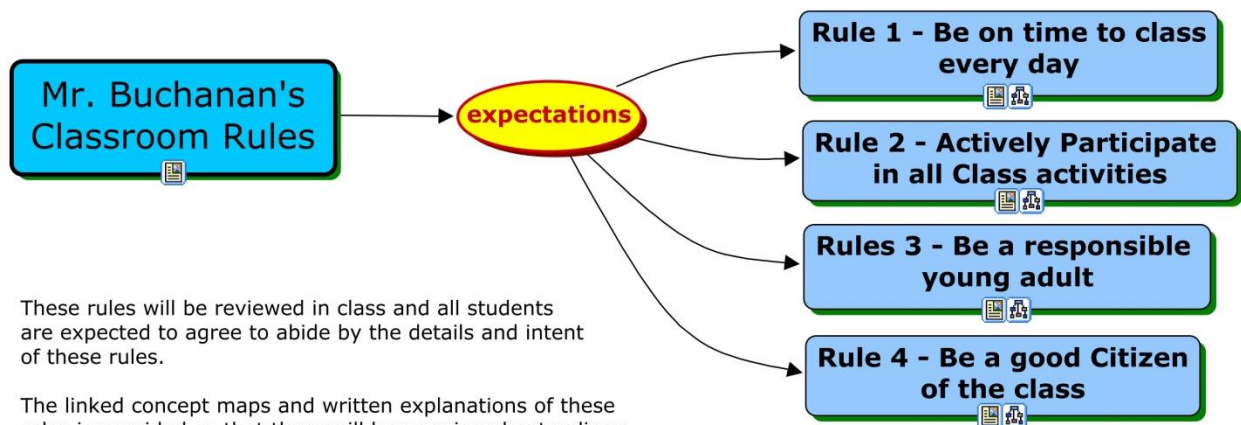
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The following concept map and written explanation of these rules is provided so that there will be no misunderstandings of student expectations or the consequences of not following the rules.

Classroom Rules Concept Map

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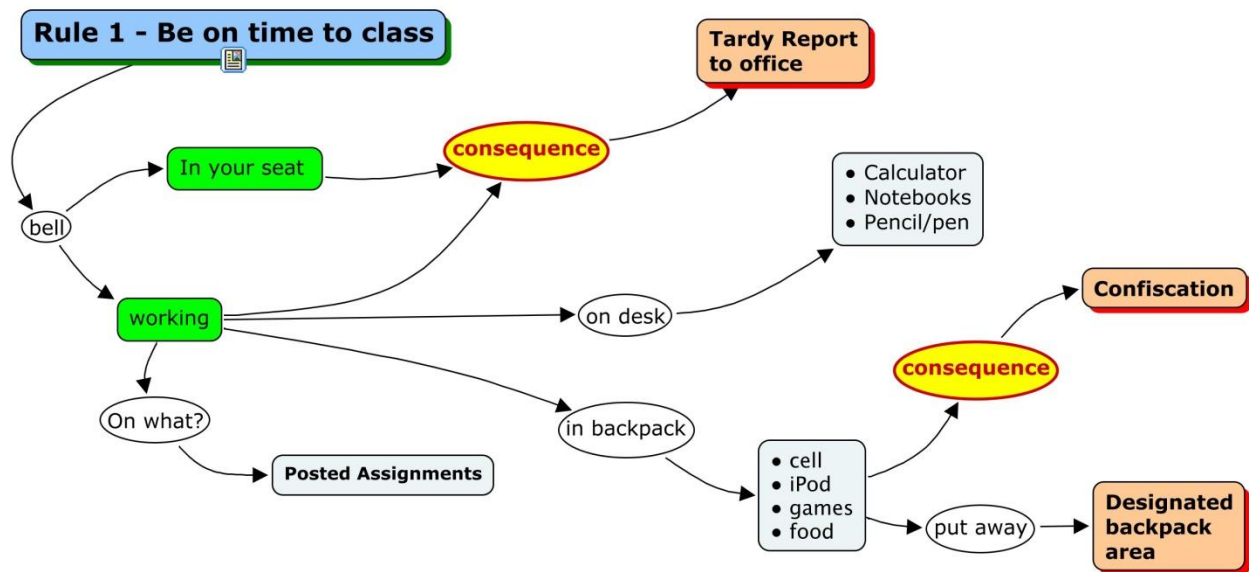
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Explanation of Classroom Rule 1 – Be On Time

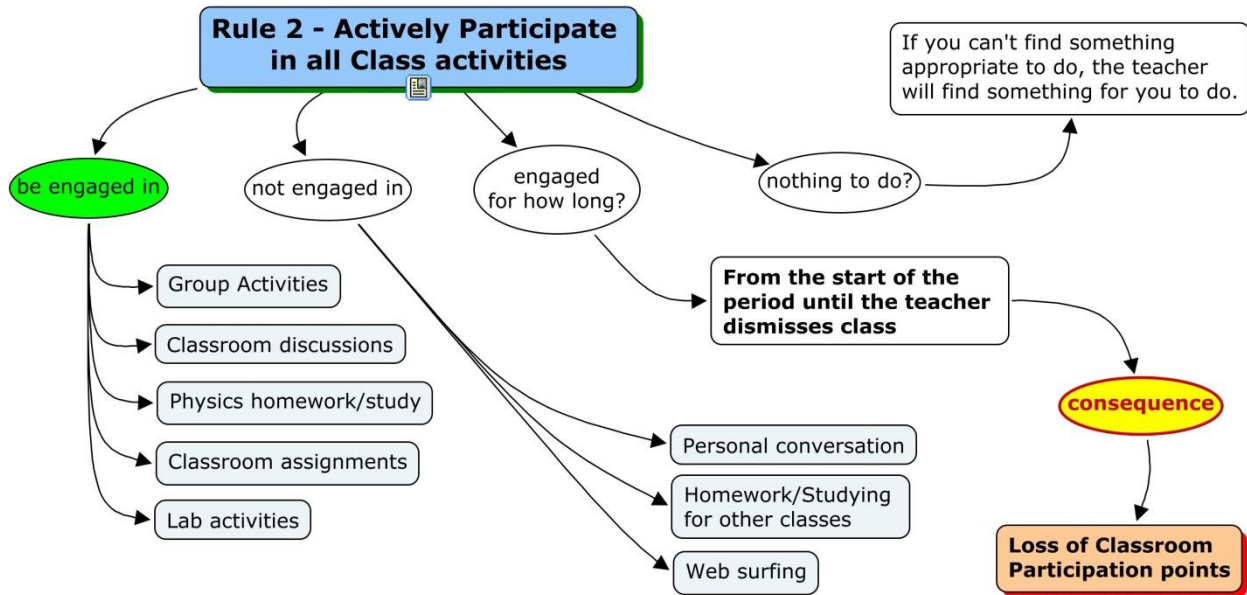
1.0 Being **on time** to class means being in your seat, prepared for class and engaged in class work when class starts.

- 1.1 Students are expected to be in their assigned seats and actively engaged in appropriate class related activities at the school’s defined starting time for the class (when the bell rings). If you fail to meet these expectations, you will be considered tardy and will be reported to the office for appropriate disciplinary action by the administration and/or lose classroom participation points.
- 1.2 Students are expected to bring their calculator, notebooks and pencil/pen to class (every day) and have them on their desks before class starts. If you fail to bring these items to class and have them ready at the start of class you will lose classroom participation points.
- 1.3 Students are expected to put all non-class related items in their backpacks and put their backpacks away in a designated area before class starts. You must put the following items away in your backpack before class starts or they will be confiscated on sight. All confiscated items will be taken to the office and may not be retrieved until the end of the school day.
 - 1.3.1 Cell phones
 - 1.3.2 iPods
 - 1.3.3 Games
 - 1.3.4 Food items
- 1.4 Daily assignments will be posted on “the board” prior to the start of class. Students are expected to start and become actively engaged in these assignments on their own initiative. If you fail to become actively engaged in these activities in a timely manner without prompting, you will lose classroom participation points.

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Explanation of Classroom Rule 2 – Actively Participate

2.0 Actively **participating** in class means being involved in all class activities to the best of your ability, for the duration of the class and to the completion of the activity. It also means not being involved in non-class activities during class time.

2.1 Students are expected to be involved in class activities for the duration of the class period. Class begins at the designated time (when the bell rings) and ends when the teacher dismisses the class. If you fail to remain engaged for the duration of the period, you will lose classroom participation points and/or be given extra assignments.

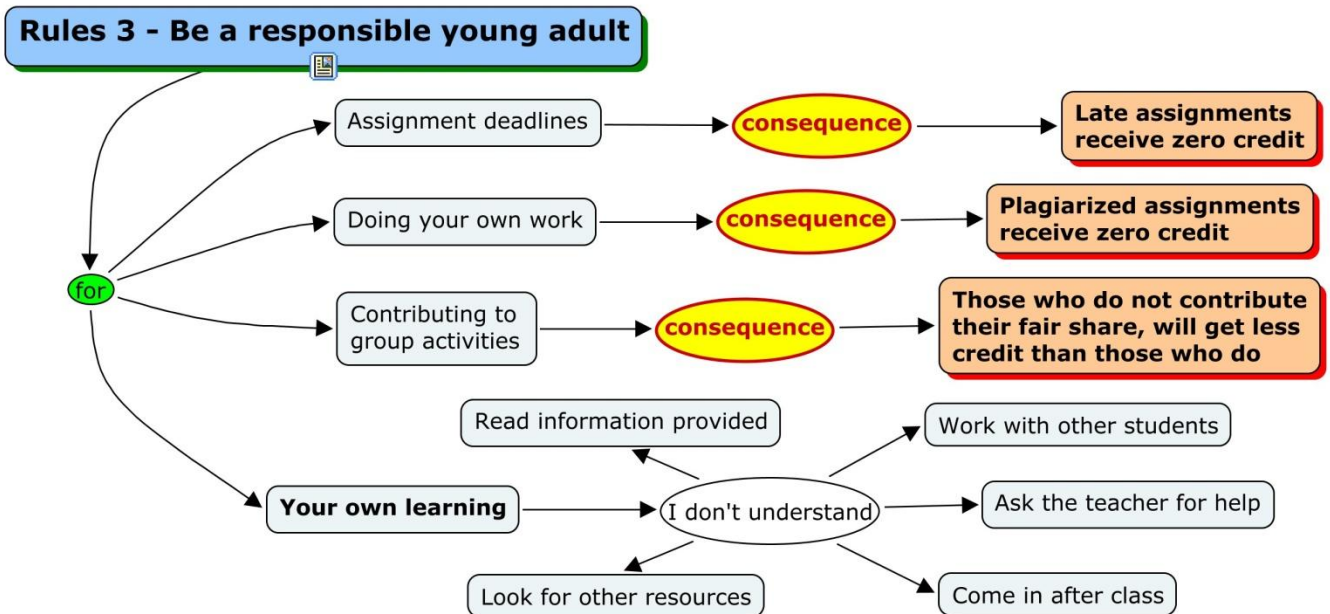
2.2 Students may not engage in non-class related conversations, study or do homework for other classes, surf the internet, stand by the door waiting for the bell, play games, etc. If you engage in inappropriate activities, you will lose classroom participation points and/or will be dismissed late.

2.3 Students who feel they do not have anything to do in class are expected to consult with the teacher for further instructions. If you have nothing constructive to do, you may be required to turn in any pending assignments (done or not), take any pending quizzes (ready or not) and/or start upcoming assignments.

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Explanation of Classroom Rule 3 – Be Responsible

3.0 Being a **responsible** young adult means taking personal responsibility for your own learning. It means living up to your obligations on your own initiative. It means being proactive in your own learning.

3.1 Students are expected to turn in assignments on time and without being prompted to do so. If you do not submit an assignment on time, on your own initiative, you will receive zero credit and you may not make up or redo the assignment for credit.

3.2 Students are expected to do their own work. If you submit an assignment that is plagiaristic, you will receive zero credit and you may not redo the assignment for credit.

3.3 Students are expected to not allow other students to plagiarize their work. If you allow another student to plagiarize your work, you will receive zero credit for your assignment.

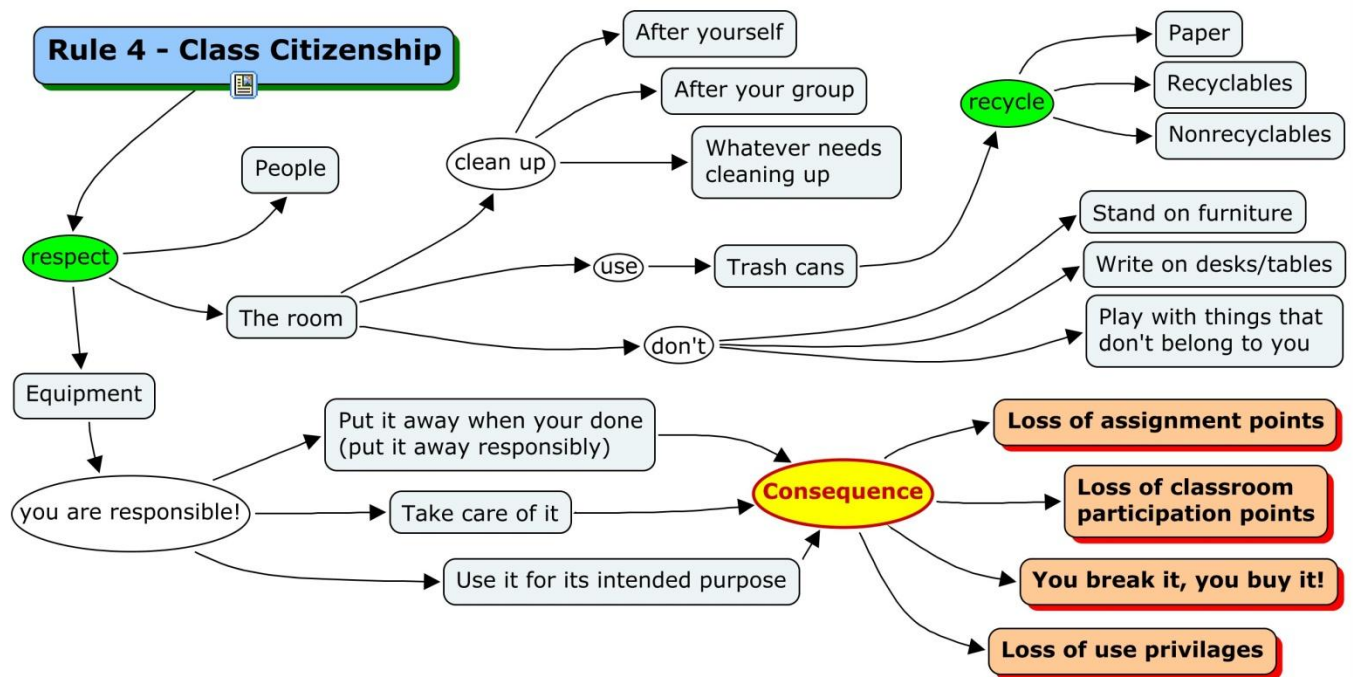
3.4 Students are expected to contribute their fair share to group activities. If you do not make an honest effort to contribute your “fair share” to group activities, you will receive a lower grade than those who do contribute.

3.5 Students are expected to seek help when they are having difficulty. Don’t wait until the day of the test! When you don’t understand something you are expected to read the information provided to you, ask other students for help, ask the teacher for help, seek out other resources and/or make an appointment to come in for extra help during the teacher’s office hours. Your failure to seek help early and keep up with the class does not entitle you to special consideration.

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Explanation of Classroom Rule 4 – Citizenship

4.0 Being a good **citizen** of the class means being respectful of other students, the teacher, the room and the things in the room. It means contributing to overall benefit of the community (class).

- 4.1 Students are expected to conduct themselves in a polite conscientious manner that makes others feel respected and appreciated. If you do not treat others with the appropriate level of respect, you will be reported to the administration for disciplinary action.
- 4.2 Students are expected to “clean up” after themselves and their groups. They are also expected to contribute to keeping the room clean and orderly. If you fail to clean up after yourself or contribute to keeping the room clean you will lose classroom participation points, be kept after class to clean up and/or be reported to the administration for disciplinary action.
- 4.3 Students are expected to not abuse the furniture, write on desk/tables or “play with” things in the room which they are not authorized to use. If you abuse the things in the room, you will lose classroom participation points, be kept after class to repair any damage and/or be billed for damage.
- 4.4 Students are expected to be responsible for the computers and laboratory equipment they use. You are responsible for equipment while you have it out, you are responsible to use it only for its intended purpose and you are responsible to put it away properly when you are done with it. If you fail to meet these expectations, you will lose classroom participation points, lose assignment points, be kept after class to put things away and/or be billed for damage.