

## DECLARATION OF EXPECTATIONS

1. If someone does something well or wins, we will congratulate that person! If you win or do well at something do NOT brag. If you lose do not show anger. Instead say something like “I really enjoyed the competition and I look forward to playing you again”. To show anger or sarcasm such as “I wasn’t really trying anyway” shows weakness.

*(Ron Clark Rule!)*

2. Do not smack your lips, tsk, roll your eyes or show disrespect with gestures.

*(Ron Clark Rule!)*

3. Occasionally we may grade each other’s paper as a group. When we grade papers as a group you are not to comment on another person’s grade. The only marks you should make on their paper is an “X” and the number they got incorrect.

*(INSPIRED by a Ron Clark Rule!)*

4. NO matter WHAT the situation: Be Honest. Even if you have done something wrong it is best to admit it to me because I will respect that and oftentimes, I will forgo any disciplinary measures because of your honesty.

*(Ron Clark Rule!)*

6. Do NOT cheat. Cheating shows weakness and will make any other true victories in the class hollow to others. NO ONE likes a cheater. It disappoints me GREATLY and will cause me to lose trust in you.

*(Cheating "irks" me a lot)*

7. Not studying is NOT a virtue; therefore, do not act like it is such. To say you “didn’t study” if you get a good grade is hurtful to those who did study and struggled or is cheapening to those who studied and did well. To say you “didn’t study” and you failed makes you look ignorant and lazy. People can understand if when you study you do poorly, we have ALL been there.

*(So important! This means you have grown.)*

8. Accept that you will make mistakes. Learn from them. And MOVE ON.

*(Ron Clark Rule!)*

9. Your grade is NO ONE’S business but your own. You do not need to shout out your grades when you get it. If you do poorly do NOT just wad up your paper and throw it away. You will not be able to learn from your mistakes OR know what you did wrong if you just throw it away.

*(It saddens me when other people feel badly because of things we say!)*

10. Be aware of our daily classroom expectations and live them out daily.

*(Expectations and Rules are different.  
Expectations are a part of routine-- rules to me  
outline a limit on actions)*