

# The Twenty Commandments

## On Classroom Conduct

1. Enter class on time, sit down in your assigned seat, have your signed homework or returned quizzes ready for collection, and follow any on-screen instructions.
2. Take notes for all lectures in a composition book used for Math only.
3. Do not be out of uniform.
4. Do not touch anyone else's property.
5. Do not move or vandalize any furniture.
6. Do not litter.
7. Do not leave your seat without permission.
8. Do not ask me to go to:
  - the office to get non-prescription medication or use the phone
  - another classroom or see another teacher
  - retrieve a misplaced item
9. Do not eat food, candy, or chew gum.
10. Do not pack your books before the bell rings.

## On Speaking Respectfully

11. Do not speak unless it concerns Math.
12. Do not speak negatively about or towards each other or tell each other what to do.
13. Do not call me from across the room. When asking or answering a question, you must raise your hand and *wait* to be acknowledged before speaking.
14. When addressing me, use one of the following:
  - Mr. Abraham
  - Mr. Abe
  - Coach
  - Sir
15. Make and keep eye contact when talking or listening to someone.
16. Don't ask ridiculous questions. They are indicated by the following:
  - you already know or should know the answer
  - you're trying to get attention
17. Don't give ridiculous answers. They are indicated by the following:
  - you're blurting random guesses; answers should be thoughtful and based on previous class lectures
  - you're trying to get attention
18. All answers must be stated in detailed, grammatically correct, complete sentences.
19. Do not use disrespectful body language.
20. When being corrected, do not say, "But they..." Talk to me after class if you would like to report another student's misbehavior.

I will give *no warnings* because you've already been warned. If you break a rule, you will be sent to the office for the remainder of the class period and your parent/guardian will be called. If you are an athlete, the Athletic Director will also be notified. See me after school to make up missed work.