Speech Etiquette, Rules, and Consequences
Appropriate Behavior

- During someone’s speech, I expect you to:
  - Sit facing the speaker
  - Stay quiet throughout the entire speech
  - Listen intently
  - Make eye contact with the speaker
  - Clap at the conclusion of the speech.

  (Be sure that it is the conclusion of the speech. If you are not sure, wait!)
Inappropriate Behavior

• During someone’s speech, you WILL NOT:
  - Work on other work
  - Talk to your neighbor or any other classmate
  - Walk around the classroom
    - If you have to blow your nose, wait until the speaker is done with their speech to ask or move.
    - Starting with your next speech, no student may leave the classroom to use the restroom once speeches begin.
  - Listen to your iPod or use any electronic device
  - Respond inappropriately (Roll your eyes, speak, etc.)
Why is this behavior inappropriate?
It is rude and disrespectful to talk or ignore someone when they are speaking in front of you.

What is the role of the audience?
As a member of the audience, your role is to listen quietly and respond appropriately at appropriate times.

Ex: Laugh after a funny hook

(Laughing should be short, and you should remain in your seat as you laugh. Do not bother a neighbor or other classmate during this response time.)

You will not speak to the speaker! Your role is silent. All questions asked of the audience are RHETORICAL!
Why should you know that these behaviors are inappropriate?

The rest of your life people will expect you to listen and behave appropriately. If you are a disruption or a bad, unsupportive, listener, you will lose the respect of your peers and superiors.

Listening skills can help you get a job. Those willing to invest time and money in you want to know that you are able and willing to listen.

You are learning life skills in this classroom that will benefit you now and in the future.
1. The day before each speech, students will draw a number, determining the order of their performance the following day.

2. You will not be allowed to work on your speech the day of your presentation. **You must be prepared for class.**

3. If you forget your speech, you will receive a zero.

4. Students that disrupt speeches will receive deductions as previously listed. No exceptions!

Violations of these rules will be seen in your speech grades. Continuous disruptions will result in **disciplinary actions.**
Consequences for Inappropriate Behavior

- Talking during someone’s speech = Deduction of 25 points the first time
- Talking during someone’s speech = Deduction of 50 points after the first time
- Walking around the classroom = Deduction of 25 points the first time
- Walking around the classroom = Deduction of 50 points after the first time
- Inappropriate or negative response = Deduction of 25 points