

Russo's do's and don'ts to make class run smoothly and optimize the time we have to learn Biology.

These are not suggestions, they're just what responsible students do (or refrain from doing), and you're all responsible, so this will be easy to adhere to. You can do it, I know you can.

Do...

- Come to class on time.
- Be prepared with appropriate materials: black or blue ink ball point pens, #2 pencils with erasers, an organized binder with a section for this course (an individual spiral bound notebook).
- Write your name and student ID number in the binder or notebook.
- Ask questions (and raise your hand when you do).
- Your homework
- Take advantage of tutorial (in a good way, like studying or meeting with a teacher).
- Feel free to help someone, there may be up to 35 of you, but there's always only one of me. Teaching is learning.

Don't...

- CHEAT! It's not nice and I will catch you. Don't willingly let anyone copy your work. It makes you a cheater, too.
- Throw anything in class
- Write on or carve anything into classroom furniture.
- Disrespect your peers or anyone lucky enough to be on staff at this fine institution.
- Touch anyone or anyone else's property in an inappropriate way (keep your hands to yourself)
- Allow your personal property to be accessed by others (don't make it easy for another student to mess with or steal your stuff).
- Use electronic devices (these include cell phones, pagers, iPods or any other type of audio or video devices, and Nintendo like devices), except calculators when appropriate. Don't hesitate to let me know if I've forgotten something.
- Ask me to let you go to the bathroom or leave the class for any reason while I'm addressing the class or delivering instruction. I'll never speak for more than 15 minutes at once, so please wait. Even better, go to the bathroom and take care of other business before school, at break, lunch, or during passing periods.
- Have side conversations while instruction is being delivered.
- Chew gum, eat, or drink anything but water in class. If you're wondering why, wrap your fingers around the bottom of your chair.
- Ask me if you can leave early without an official pass clearly explaining why you are leaving.