

# Computer Science Classroom Guidelines:

All Computer Science classes at Tesla STEM High School are for Career & Technical Education credit, and they are designed to prepare students for future careers with:

- The goal to help students develop 21<sup>st</sup> Century workplace skills, including:
  - Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
  - Creativity and Innovation
  - Communications and Collaboration
  - Information and Media Literacy
- Higher expectations of professional behavior, of initiative & self-direction as well as team collaboration
- Leadership responsibilities and opportunities
- Expectations to follow our Professional Classroom Standards, Classroom Procedures, and our school Rules

## **Our Professional Classroom Standards:**

1. **Respect:** respect and encourage fellow students, yourself, and the teacher, allowing us to benefit from all our contributions.
2. **Safety:** always act safely, follow safety procedures, and help others to act the safest.
3. **Learning:** participate in the learning process by listening to, suggesting and trying out new ideas.
4. **Teamwork:** assist other by sharing your skills cooperatively to help everyone succeed.

## **Professional Classroom Procedures** include the following:

1. **Be ready for class** on time, and begin the displayed daily “Warm Up” activity. (Make sure to have your supplies i.e. pencil, paper, laptop.)
2. **Respect those speaking** during presentations and discussions by keeping eyes forward and not talking out of turn or to others. Wait your turn if you have a comment or question.
3. **Sign out** before leaving the room and record the time when you return. If you are out more than 10 minutes, you will be marked absent for the day. The sign out should not be used the first or last 10 minutes of the period.
4. **Cell phones and other glowing rectangles** are to be silenced and not out during class, unless allowed explicitly for an exercise or lab. If

you need to use them, please ask Ms. Prelerson. Inappropriate use will result in the item being taken away.

5. **Earphones should be away** in your backpack or pocket during class, unless explicitly asked to use them. Ask if you have a special request, like listening to an instructional video or music during work time.
6. **Class work needs to be made up** promptly; additional time will be allowed up to the number of days you were absent, but you are responsible for completing work – that material will likely be needed in future assignments and/or quizzes.
7. **Any work turned in after the due date** must include a short written explanation as a dropbox message in order to receive a grade. This includes work turned in late due to an excused absence.
8. **Only turn in your own work**, especially on individual projects
9. **Unexcused Absences or Tardies** can result in loss of class work points for that day—if you are not at work, you don't get paid.
10. **If your grade drops below a C**, your parents/guardians will be receiving an email.

Following these Standards & Procedures is required to receive classwork points for the day. You are paid to act professionally with these points.

**NOTE:**

Our Computer Classroom Guidelines are always open to improvements and accommodations; let Ms. Prelerson know if you have suggestions on how to improve them for us all. Thank you.