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CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE

I strive to create a classroom environment that fosters interactive learning. I do not expect you to remain silent the entire time. However, excessive talking or talking when it is obviously inappropriate is distracting. *No electronic devices of any kind*, except your PRS transmitter, are allowed to be used in the classroom. If you have any device, make sure it is turned off and put away for the duration of class.

GRADING TOOLS AND SCALE

Grading Tool	Potential Dollars		Grade	Minimum Purchase Price
Top 10 Quizzes	\$150,000		A	\$920,000
Highest Exam	\$125,000		A-	\$900,000
Second Highest Exam	\$125,000		B+	\$880,000
Final Exam	\$375,000		B	\$820,000
PRS Questions	\$110,000		B-	\$800,000
Daily Activities	\$105,000		C+	\$780,000
Honor Code Confirmation	\$5,000		C	\$720,000
Syllabus Confirmation	\$5,000		D	\$600,000
			F	\$0
Total	\$1,000,000		Note:	C- is not available

If you earn less than the potential dollars on PRS Questions or Daily Activities, the remaining weight will be shifted to the final exam. Therefore, missing any single class period will not directly lower your grade. If you choose to miss every class period, your final exam will be worth \$590,000 (375,000 + 110,000 PRS + 105,000 Daily Activities).

PRS (TRANSMITTER) QUESTIONS

You will bring your transmitter to class and answer several questions each day. You will be awarded **three** points for each correct answer and **one** point for each incorrect answer. At the end of the semester I will convert PRS points into class dollars according to the following scale:

75% or more of PRS points obtained = \$110,000 (maximum)

Less than 75% of PRS points obtained = the percent you received X \$110,000.

For example, you receive 60% of the points, you receive \$66,000. The remaining \$44,000 will be moved to your final exam.

Intentionally using another student's PRS transmitter to gain class credit is a violation of the FSU Academic Honor Code and is strictly forbidden. All students involved in such behavior will automatically lose all PRS dollars and will be subject to the procedures as outlined in the Honor Code.

DAILY ACTIVITIES

You will bring at least one *5 x 8 inch lined index card* to class and participate in the activities. Each day will be graded on the following scale:

\$0 if not submitted

\$500 if submitted with missing information or an obvious lack of effort

\$5,000 if submitted with genuine effort

“Right” and “wrong” answers are not the intent of the activities. The intent is to engage you in the discussion and the concepts. I anticipate 21 class days in which we will use the activities. Each student will begin the semester with \$5,000. This is the equivalent of dropping one day. If you attend all classes, the \$5,000 becomes extra credit. Please do your best to write neatly; illegible writing will result in a zero score. **Cards placed in the wrong box at the end of class will not get graded.**

Intentionally submitting an index card on behalf of another student to gain class credit is a violation of the FSU Academic Honor Code and is strictly forbidden. All students involved in such behavior will automatically lose all Activity dollars and will be subject to the procedures as outlined in the Honor Code.

MAKEUP POLICIES

Regular class meetings (Activity and PRS): I do not allow any makeup assignments for the first class you miss for any reason. You begin the semester with one day worth of credit so missing a day won't negatively impact your grade. Starting with the second missed class, the weight of the missed day will be moved to your final exam so you won't lose the opportunity to gain those dollars.

ACADEMIC HONOR SYSTEM

The Academic Honor System of the Florida State University is based on the premise that each student has the responsibility to: 1) uphold the highest standards of academic integrity in the student's own work; 2) refuse to tolerate violations of academic integrity in the academic community, and 3) foster a high sense of integrity and social responsibility on the part of the University community. Violations of the Academic Honor System will not be tolerated in this class.