

Class Participation Rubric

Class participation is worth 25% of students' total class grade in English, due to the significant increase in learning the subject matter when these specific goals are met.

Category	Excellent-A	Good-B	Satisfactory C-D	Needs Improvement D-F
Attitude	Student is always respectful of his or her self, others, and teacher, has a positive attitude, and does not criticize anyone else's ideas or work.	Rarely is critical of ideas or work of others. Often has a positive attitude about the task(s). Usually treats others and self with respect.	Often or occasionally has a positive attitude about the task(s) and behaves in a respectful manner.	Often is critical of the work or ideas of others. Rarely behaves in a respectful manner.
Focus on Class Work	Consistently stays focused on in-class work and what needs to be done. Very self-directed.	Focuses on in-class work and what needs to be done most of the time.	Focuses on the task and what needs to be done some of the time. Often must be reminded by the teacher about what needs to get done.	Rarely focuses on class work and what needs to be done.
Contributions	Routinely provides useful ideas when participating in classroom discussion. A definite leader who contributes a lot of effort.	Usually provides useful ideas when participating in classroom discussion. A strong student who tries hard.	Sometimes provide useful ideas when participating in classroom discussion. A satisfactory student who does what is required.	Rarely provides useful ideas when participating in classroom discussion. May refuse to participate.
Working with Others	Almost always listens to, shares with, and supports the efforts of others. Students can feel safe volunteering in this student's presence.	Usually listens to, shares with, and supports the efforts of others.	Often listens to, shares with, and supports the efforts of others, but sometimes is not actively listening or responding.	Rarely listens to, shares with, and supports the efforts of others. Often disrupts or discourages others' attempts to participate.
Preparedness	Brings needed materials to class and is always ready to work.	Almost always brings needed material to class and is ready to work.	Often brings materials but sometimes needs to borrow.	Seldom brings materials and/or is rarely ready to get to work.
Time-Management	Routinely uses time well to ensure things get done on time. Student never asks to adjust deadlines.	Usually uses time well, rarely misses deadlines.	Tends to procrastinate, does not use school time or schedule provided to get work completed.	Rarely gets work done by deadlines, always asks for extensions or does not submit work despite time in school.
Quality of Work	Provides work of the highest quality that reflects the student's best efforts.	Provides quality work that reflects an effort from the student.	Work occasionally needs to be redone or does not reflect any time or effort.	Provides illegible work that reflects very little effort or does not turn in any work.
Handbook	Student is aware of and follows all rules in the student handbook, such as plagiarism, food, drink, tardies, etc.	Student seems to nearly always know and follow rules as outlined in the student handbook.	Student has broken a few rules during this marking period or has made no effort to make him or her self aware of the rules.	Student does not follow rules as explained in student handbook.
Behavior	Student is awake and engaged in class on a daily basis, and shows no disruptive behavior.	Student is awake and engaged in class nearly every day, and shows no disruptive behavior.	Student is awake most of the time but has fallen asleep or done nothing for a few classes. Show no disruptive behavior.	Student frequently sleeps and/or disrupts class.

The following Common Core Standards for Speaking and Listening are regulated and must be taught in Michigan:

SPEAKING & LISTENING

Comprehension and Collaboration:

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.1

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.1.A

Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.1.B

Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.1.C

Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.1.D

Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.2

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.3

Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used.

Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas:

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.4

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.5

Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.11-12.6

Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating a command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grades 11-12 Language standards 1 and 3 [here](#) for specific expectations.)