

8 'CLASSROOM RULES' FOR ZOOM MEETINGS

Do you remember the days of “classroom rules?” Now that we have moved to a Zoom classroom, it’s also important that we all agree to follow some basic rules for the good of conversations, to make sure everyone is able to get all the help they need, and to assure a level of gravitas appropriate to the dignity of learning at Trinity School.

Rule #1: Be on Time

Just as during regular classes, it is important that you are on time to your Zoom meeting class. Teachers are working hard to get the most out of their limited amount of time.

Rule #2: Set Up in As Professional a Space as Possible

While we know space is tight, try to find a place where you can sit up and your background is as free from distraction for others as possible. Remember, we can see everything behind you!

Rule #3: Use Only Your Real Name

Just as during regular learning, we want to honor the dignity and importance of our own and each other's names. Do not change your Zoom ID or Google profile name to a nickname or anything other than the name your teachers call you by in your classes.

Rule #4: Dress for Success

While we are not requiring students to be in uniform, please “dress for success,” as they say. Casual clothing is OK, but no PJ’s or clothing that would otherwise distract from the seriousness of the meetings.

Rule #5: Be Professional and Respectful in Your Speech

Because Zoom classrooms *feel* more like social media, you may be tempted to be more casual in your speech. Remember to be respectful, orderly, and kind.

Rule #6: Don’t Chew With Your Mouth Open ... Or At All For That Matter

Please don’t eat during a Zoom meeting. We don’t need to see the crumbs on the corner of your mouth.

Rule #7: No Side “Conversations”

Just as during regular classroom learning, side conversations can be very disruptive to the conversation we are trying to have. Please do not privately text, chat, or engage in other electronic communication during Zoom meetings.

Rule #8: Do Not Record the Meetings

Though you may want to preserve a meeting for later use, in some states this would be illegal. Please do not record any Zoom meeting using your computer or another recording device.