Habit #5

Be Responsible
Be Successful in the Classroom

- Always bring your **supplies** to class.
- **Participate** in class.
- Don’t leave class without **understanding** the **directions** for a homework assignment.
Go to School Every Day

– When you’re absent, you miss...

• Lectures and discussions
• Homework explanations
• Assignments
• Quizzes and Tests

– If you know in advance you are going to be absent, try to get the assignments ahead of time.
Take Care of Your Personal Belongings

- Clean your **work area**.
- Put your assignments in the **right folders** before you leave the classroom.
- Look under the desk for your **lunch bag** and **sweaters**.
- **Clean your lunch area**. Do not leave **wrappers and garbage** on the tables and floor.
Habit #6

Be a Strong Learner
Take Good Notes

- Listen carefully and think about what your teacher is saying.
- Take notes that are easy to read.
- Review your notes and highlight the information that’s really important.
Ask Questions

– Put a **checkmark** next to the information you **do not understand**. Ask the teacher to explain it to you.

– **Draw sketches or diagrams** to help you **understand** a new concept.
Be a Smart Test Taker

– Before you start, look over the entire test and develop a plan.

– Mark the questions you want to return to.

– Check your answers.

– Use all the time you’re given.
Habit #7

Develop Effective Study Skills
Know How to Read a Textbook

– Before reading the chapter, review the chapter headings, sub-headings and picture captions.

– Read the chapter summary.

– Take notes as you read, writing down important dates, people and events.

– Write down important terms and their definitions.
Review Your Notes

- **Read** through your **notes** and **highlight** the information that’s really important.
- If necessary, **re-write** your notes neatly.
- In the margin of your notebook, **write questions** you must ask your teacher the next day of class.
Read Study Guides

— If your teacher provides online examples or Lib Guides, visit their websites for more help.
Create a Study Group

- Meet with a study partner or study group to...
  - Work on **projects**.
  - **Quiz** each other.
  - **Clarify** assignment instructions.
Student Quote:

“As soon as I get my test, I write anything I need to remember at the top”.
Back to School Word Search

See how many of these newspaper related words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

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Habit #8

Set Goals
Goals Give You Focus and Direction

• When you set goals, you create a plan of action for success.
  • Short-term goals
  • Long-term goals
Short-Term Goals

- Short-term goals are goals that you can achieve within **days** or a **week**.
  - Get a B on my history test.
  - Practice piano three times this week.
Long-Term Goals

- Long-term goals are goals that will take weeks, months or even years to achieve.

  - Get all As and Bs on my next report card.

  - Become a student council officer next year.

  - Go to college and become a lawyer.
What are your goals here at the Academy?

On the space provided in your notes, write down one short-term goal and one long-term goal.

What can you do to meet those goals?
Habit #9

Manage Stress
An Academy Knight takes time to...

- rest
- eat properly
- exercise
- study
- enjoy friends and family.
Habit #10

Be Reflective
What did I learn about myself at school today?

- What kind of friend was I?
- What concerns do I have about schoolwork? Tests or quizzes?
- What are upcoming important projects and due dates?
Reflective students ask

“How can I become a better student?”

- More informed?
- More responsible?
- Better prepared?
- A stronger learner?
- Use my study time more efficiently?
- Manage my stress better?