

2nd Grade Classroom Management Plan 2016-2017

Rules in my classroom come from a system called Love & Logic. The Love & Logic system says that all children are different, and all actions and reactions are very personal in nature. Therefore effective discipline involves a few overriding tenets rather than a long list of specific rules. Situations are dealt with as they arise, with the focus on enabling the child to grow and learn from his or her actions. For us Christians, this system and its guidelines are motivated by 1 John 4:19: "We love because **he first loved us.**"

Guidelines for student behavior:

- 1. Your actions may not cause a problem for anyone else.**
- 2. If you cause a problem, you will be asked to solve it.**
- 3. If you cannot solve the problem, or choose not to, I will do something.**

A problem is anything that makes it difficult for me to teach, other kids to learn, or others to feel safe. I'll let them know if I see them making a problem so they can stop it before I have to do something.

The following beliefs have influenced this plan:

- Students should be guided and expected to solve the problems they create without making problems for anyone else.
- Students should be given the opportunity to make decisions and live with the results, whether good or bad.
- It is best if the student does most of the thinking.
- There should be a logical connection between misbehavior and resulting consequences.

The goal of this system is to enable the students to learn from their mistakes and make better choices in the future, not to demean or humiliate them. I will guide them toward personal responsibility and the decision-making skills they will need to function in the real world. I will proceed in each situation with the best interests of my students foremost in my mind.

The rules remind us how to live, and that we can't live perfectly. Thank God for his Son Jesus, who died to save us from our sin! Now the rules have another use. They guide us to live lives according to God's Word, lives of thanksgiving to God for his undeserved forgiveness and grace. **This law and gospel will be used in the classroom to help the students grow as Christians living in God's grace.** With continued study of God's word, the Holy Spirit will produce in us his gifts to help us live to the glory of God and to share his Gospel with others.

Isaiah 26:4

Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD himself, is the rock eternal.