Humanities 12 - Class Constitution

We the students, in order to form a more perfect classroom, further our education, and promote scholastic tranquility on the tumultuous seas of our final voyage toward the far shore of graduation, do ordain and establish this constitutional charter.

Article 1

We shall, and all relevant authorities, will submit to the sacred norms we have described and established for life herein, including: waiting for others to finish speaking and attacking the idea, not the person. We agree to use the pronoun "I" to own our statements and forswear assumptions about others intent and character. We seek a non-violent classroom in which we can keep an open mind to each other's opinions. Such a government works most audaciously when we take time to process and sort through our thoughts.

Article II

As we are growing teenagers, we approve of allowing nourishment into our classroom, provided that this food does not result in what some might deem "a holy mess." Since music soothes the souls of wild beasts, we feel that listening to everything from thrash metal guitars to bossa nova on the xylophone will be permitted as long as the sound of said music does not infringe upon others fundamental right to silence.

Article III

Because all homework and no play is never good for the soul, we shall use work time in class to get ahead on our assignment or at least not fall behind. We shall look for both the fun and funny in all things and consistently use the knowledge and capacity of our citizens to its fullest effect. Our fundamental interests stand as follows:

- To get things done and create forward momentum in our collective endeavors
- To establish the highest happiness with the least amount of unhappiness.
- To ensure that everyone has a say in the decisions that affect their lives
- To move toward a state of anarchy where everyone achieves their desires in a cooperative manner.

Article IV

As students at Animas High School, we recognize that these rights and preferences are subject to the supreme excellency, his (or her) royal highness, commonly know as The Teacher, or his designated substitute. Because of his overwhelming life experience, many years of schooling, and overflowing abundance of chocolate and comfy furniture, we defer in all things to his judgment and request that he receive our petitions with charity. Signed, this day of our non-denominational, undefined spiritual energy...September 15, 2015