

### Notebook Evaluator Rubric

**Use the rubric to evaluate your math notebook(s).**

**A total of 10 points is possible, 5 for clarity & organization and 5 for correctness & completion.**

**Quick Guide:** Would your notebook make sense to another randomly selected student in the class?

If no, the notebook is poor.

If yes, the notebook is good.

An excellent notebook could be handed to a student struggling in the course to serve as a surrogate textbook.

|                                     | POOR (0 POINTS)   | GOOD (2.5 POINTS)  | EXCELLENT (5 POINTS)   |
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| <b>CLARITY &amp; ORGANIZATION</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book section and topic not labeled</li> <li>Handwriting is messy</li> <li>Scribbles left on the page</li> <li>Equations or steps of problem in wrong order or hard to follow</li> <li>Words are confusing or don't relate well to equations</li> <li>Inconsistent use of colors, bolding, headers, lists, or other formatting</li> <li>Drawings sparse and/or existent drawings not labeled</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book section and topic is labeled</li> <li>Handwriting is average</li> <li>No scribbles left on the page</li> <li>Good alignment and sequencing of equations</li> <li>Amount of word vs. equations clarifies material</li> <li>Bold or underlining used appropriately to emphasize material</li> <li>Drawings are frequent and appropriately used to illustrate concepts</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book section and topic labels are central to the overall organization of the portfolio</li> <li>Handwriting is excellent</li> <li>No scribbles left on the page</li> <li>Steps of problems are easy to see at a quick glance due to excellent alignment and sequencing</li> <li>Worded descriptions are mathematically correct and they are used to truly enhance clarity of mathematical steps</li> <li>Color, bolding, and other formatting are exceptionally nice and consistent across the portfolio</li> <li>Drawings are exceptionally well labeled and colored across the portfolio</li> </ul> |
| <b>CORRECTNESS &amp; COMPLETION</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some problems or topics missing</li> <li>Absences not made up</li> <li>Steps of problems missing, incorrect, or excessively repetitive</li> <li>Few or no textbook notes</li> <li>Few or no extra study sheets</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All problems and topics are accounted for</li> <li>Steps of problems are appropriate, correct, and complete</li> <li>Textbook notes included for each section and topic</li> <li>A few extra study sheets are included</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All problems and topics are accounted for</li> <li>Steps of problems are exceptionally concise, efficient, correct and complete.</li> <li>Every topic has corresponding notes from textbook sections</li> <li>Every topic is accounted for in extra study sheets</li> <li>Overall completeness of the portfolio is balanced by exceptional efficiency and conciseness in order to make the portfolio truly stand out</li> </ul>   |