Guidelines for Homework

Homework is very important to success in a math course because that is the time when you learn the material and internalize it. It is a major factor to doing well on tests, and therefore the course. Please do it, and do it well. Here are my expectations:

1. Attempt all assigned problems. The best way to learn math is to "DO" it!

2. Write down the original problem from the book and show all your work for every problem. If you do not write the original problems and then show your work, you will not get credit for the assignment.

3. Check your odd answers in the back of the textbook. I expect you to check your homework for correctness. You are completely wasting your time if you do not verify that you are getting the solutions correct.

4. Seek out help and make corrections to problems that you got wrong.

5. Keep your homework in a neat and organized fashion throughout the semester so that you can use it for studying. Specifically:
   a) Keep it in a three-ring binder. Please do not turn in pages with messy edges.
   b) Keep it in order and turn it in that way.
   c) Keep your work neat – your writing should be legible, sections and problems should be visibly numbered, there should be a space between each problem (vertically), and use only one or two columns of problems per page.

I will check homework based on these specific expectations. Please follow them carefully. If you have any questions or concerns, I would be happy to talk to you about them.

Grading Rubric for Homework
(Used in grading homework)

1. Did the student attempt all assigned problems?       Yes     Mostly     No
2. Did the student show all required work and steps as described in class and in the directions? Yes     Mostly     No
3. Did the student check their answers and make the necessary corrections? Yes     Mostly     No
4. Is the homework clearly labeled with section numbers and problem numbers? Is the homework in order, neat, and easy to read? Yes     Mostly     No