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Teacher Fired for Ignoring Insane School Policy Against Zeroes

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When students do not hand in an assignment, they get a zero pretty much everywhere in the world — but not at West Gate K-8 school in Port St. Lucie, Florida, apparently. In mid-September, an 8th grade social studies teacher was fired from the school for refusing to follow a bizarre policy requiring her to give students who handed nothing in a 50 percent score. Then, the school lied about it.



The teacher feels a calling to be involved in teaching. And she genuinely loves her students. But apparently, not being willing to let them escape accountability for failure to do their work can be a firing offense at West Gate school in South Florida. Indeed, official lies notwithstanding, school policy required her and all other teachers to give students a 50 for doing absolutely nothing!

According to [WFTV](#), a local ABC affiliate, Diana Tirado lost her job on September 14 over the incident. But before leaving, she left a note for the students so they would know what happened. “Bye Kids,” she wrote on the board, sharing a picture on social media. “Mrs. Tirado loves you and wishes you the best in life! I have been fired for refusing to give you a 50% for not handing anything in. Mrs. Tirado.”

Students and parents agreed with the teacher. Writing on social media, for instance, one student was quoted in the press as saying: “You were right about not giving people 50s, because why would you give them half credit for doing nothing?” wrote a student with more common sense than school bosses. Parents quoted in media reports also sounded flabbergasted that students could receive half credit for zero work.

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