Mr. Jeremy Rosen Survey Questions

My thought is that the more that I know about my students then the more I can help them as a teacher. Honest answers are what I am looking for. You are not obligated to answer or participate but I would hope that you would answer to provide me with the opportunity to get to know more about you. This is also a way for you to find out more about me (I answer some of my own questions below) as well as to let me know some possible ways on how I could help you better as a teacher.

- 1. Are there any ways that I could help you better as a teacher? How could I promote interesting and entertaining activities which would help you learn in a more enjoyable way, any ideas?
- 2. What is your favorite thing about going to school?
- 3. What do you dislike most about going to school?
- 4. Things that you have done or are doing in life that you are proud of? (For example I would say about myself: "Today I take care of myself. I pay my own bills, live in my own place, etc... I spend more time helping others now rather than looking for others to help me.)
- 5. Things that you have done in life that you are not proud of? (For example, I'd say "In the past I used to act out on a lot of things without thinking about others. Like when I would get in trouble I would say "Oh well, it is me that is paying the consequences" without thinking about how much stress I put on those who loved me like my mom who I now realize I made worry way more than she deserved)
- 6. Hobbies/activities that you enjoy doing (watch/play sports, listen to/play music (what kind), etc...)? (Me: I try to make time to exercise. Music inspires me to do things better than I would do without it. Watching TV and reading books relax me but sometimes I do too much and get behind in things I shouldn't.
- 7. Things that you want to do with your life? (Me: Basically, be happy. Be master of my emotions. Publish a book. Remain open to new ideas and advice.)
- 8. Stressful things (hardships) in your life that you have had to deal with and have overcome or still deal with? (Me: Since it was mainly my mom who raised me I got away with many things. Eventually this lead to me acquiring a lot of self-defeating behaviors which got me into more trouble than if I would have been disciplined at home. It took a long time to realize my faults and admit them. But now that I am aware of my defects things are much better because I always keep myself in check and remind myself that my life can go in a totally different direction real fast if I react to situations negatively like I did in the past.)
- 9. Describe a good experience you had at school? (Me: When high school principal came up to me in 12th grade and told me he heard I could play piano good and asked if I would want to play graduation song "Pomp and Circumstance" for my high school graduation. So I did. This made me realize that under the troubled reputation I had acquired people still knew

that somewhere within my being remained more noble capacities. Mr. Howard was this principal's name and he had taught me the power of praise and encouragement.)

- 10. Describe a bad experience you had at school? (Me: I missed most of 9th grade and had to work harder in my senior year to make up for it- at continuation school.)
- 11. People that you admire? (For me I admire people that can admit their mistakes and grow from them. I admire people that are honest about a situation but also look at things in positive ways. One I could think of would be Anne Frank, the young girl in the holocaust who went into hiding)
- 12. Things that you disagree with? (Me: I disagree with some politics. I disagree when money is given more importance than principle)
- 13. Things you wish you could be better at? (Me: I wish I could be better at recognizing the talents that other people have and sometimes don't even know about themselves. Then I could help people raise their self-confidence.)
- 14. What would be some good jobs/careers that you would be interested in? (Like besides teaching I used to think about being a doctor and also I thought about being a writer. I even thought about being a boxer which I was for a little bit.)
- 15. Outside of school activities that you are involved in (church, volunteer, work, group, etc...)? (Me: I wrote and created a nonprofit newsletter that helped give information and resources to people in need. So I worked a lot with places/people like rehabs, mental-health, parolees, the homeless, etc...)
- 16. Something interesting about you or your family? (Me: I am the first to have gotten a college degree in my family (Bachelors in Neuroscience from UCLA). I am getting my Masters In Education now at Cal State Los Angeles getting a grant to co-teach Biology. I also was a nationally ranked amateur boxer who won the California Box offs, Los Angeles Golden Gloves and was a semi-finalist in the Western Olympic Trials.)
- 17. Favorite movie? Favorite Book? Favorite TV show to watch? (Movie: Shawshank Redemption and Titanic Book: I like Stephen King, The Diary of Anne Frank and historical fiction like Gone With the Wind, TV shows that interest me are ones on Investigative Discovery channel where they show things like murder then who done it and then the sentencing cause it makes me feel a lot more grateful about my life!)
- 18. Is there anything that I have not asked that you would like to share? Or, if not, any question that you would like to ask me?