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**Ms. Toepke-Peterson**  — EL Earth Science Syllabus 2024 - 2025

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Bio

**Book**

Reading materials will be available in your One Note.

**Lesson Plans**

Check Weekly Folders on Schoology.

**Weekly Checklist** Include assignments that must be completed in order. Plan accordingly. Entire folder due on/before Unit test.

**Schoology Access**

Students

School ID Number@west-fargo.k12.nd.us

Contact tech for password reset; teachers cannot help passwords

Parents

Access and view (only) everything students can see. If you would like more information on how to sign up for Parent access, send me an email.

**Grades**

Grades are in PowerSchool. Please check weekly for accuracy. If you notice a problem, please let your teacher know as soon as possible.

**Ms. Toepke’s Schedule — Room 212 J**

**8:00 AM-4:00 PM**

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|  | **1**  8:25 – 9:55 | **Advisory WIN**  10:00 - 10:20 | **2**  10:25 - 11:55 | **Lunch**  11:55-12:25 | **3**  12:30 - 2:00 | **4**  2:05 - 3:35 |
| **A Days** | Prep | 212 J | EL Biology  212J | Lunch | EL Biology  212J | MTSS SH 212J |
| **B Days** | EL Envi. Sci. 212J | 212 J | Hall Supervision/ Study Hall | Lunch | EL Earth Science 212J | Prep |

**Weighted Gradebook (PowerSchool)**

**30% - Practice** (Items in weekly checklist with multiple attempts)

**70% - Assessment** (quizzes, tests, labs, projects, presentations, modeling)

**Semester Grade Calculation**

Semester 1= Quarter 1: 50%, Quarter 2:50%

Semester 2= Quarter 3:50%, Quarter 4:50%

**Grading Scale Student & Parent Reference Guides**

100 – 90 = A

89 – 80 = B \* WFHS Student Handbook (app on iPad)

79 – 70 = C - A great reference for things not

69 – 60 = D listed or discussed here

59 and below = F = (no credit)

**BASIC Class Expectations**

* Follow order of assignments in Schoology
* Make sure you hit SUBMIT on Schoology when finished with an assignment. Schoology DOES NOT automatically submit assignments for you.
* Submit all items through Schoology; do not email.
* Late work will be marked zero until it is submitted. Submissions are still welcome through the end of the unit.
* Use Schoology through the internet, not the App unless told otherwise.
* Complete your OWN work unless told you are working in a group. Cheating is unacceptable and will result in a zero for the assignment.
* Speak English when around others that don’t speak your language.
* Phones will be in your backpack or pocket. If you would like to use your phone for learning purposes, you may ask and use only with teacher’s permission.
* Grades in PowerSchool will be updated as soon as possible.

**Communication (8:00 am-4:00 pm)**

Student communication —Email or talk to me in class or before or after school or during my prep/SH

·Parent Communication—Email (best) [mtoepke@west-fargo.k12.nd.us](mailto:mtoepke@west-fargo.k12.nd.us)

**Responsibility**

**Safety**

* Use hand sanitizer or wash hands with soap for 20 seconds after blowing your nose or going to the bathroom.
* Stay home if you are sick but do the work for that day at home so you are caught up when you return.
* Follow all lab precautions; chemicals will be used

**Movement**

* Be on time and prepared for a starter as soon as the bell rings. Look to the board for activity instructions.
* Attendance for in class sessions is very important; make every effort to be here, on time, and prepared every day unless ill
* The 5th tardy will become an unexcused absence. After 10 absences you and your parents will need to meet with the principal. Credit for the class maybe lost.
* Appointments (Dentist, Eye exams, driver’s license exams etc.) should be scheduled for non-school days or after school hours when possible. It will be difficult to make up in class activities.
* Always Bring a pencil, **charged** iPad, Logitech Crayon, and charger (in case of emergency)

**Respect**

* Upon classroom entry, move immediately to your assigned seat.
* Remove supplies from backpack (iPad, Logitech Crayon) and place all unused materials in backpack under your desk
* If you need to move for any reason, you must have permission from your teacher (unless you’re going to throw up…then run!)
  + If you need to blow your move to the door, take a tissue and blow your nose in the *hallway*. Throw tissue away, *sanitize* hands, and return to your *assigned* *seat*.
  + Bathroom breaks are *very* limited, you will most likely be unable to use the bathroom during class time. Exceptions may be made based on circumstances
  + Water bottles must be filled *before* class, you will not be allowed to leave to refill water bottles.
* Stay in assigned seat until the bell rings.
* Respect property/supplies within the classroom and follow instructions for cleaning spaces, particularly during labs
* Treat all peers, teachers, paras and other individuals in the class with the utmost kindness and respect
* Cell Phone use is not allowed in the classroom. It must be put away (out of sight) or it will be confiscated. 2nd offense goes to the office.
* Earbuds/headphones are not allowed in the classroom.
* Food is not allowed in the classrooms.
* Any behavior, clothing, or activity that interferes with student learning will not be tolerated. (**No Loud gum chewing**.)
* Work until all work is finished in weekly folders. Extra time? Work on other classes. All class time must be used.

**Failure to follow class/school expectations will result in a disciplinary action.**

1. **Meet with the teacher to determine the consequences.**
2. **Be removed from the class and sent to the office. (receive a zero for work done that day)**

**Course Description**

**Earth Science** is the study of the earth and what is found on it.

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| # | Semester Units | Objective |
| 1 | **Numbers and rounding** | Identify place values and round numbers. |
| 2 | **Introduction to Science** | Describe the tools used in science labs |
| 3 | **Solar System** | Describe the solar system. |
| 4 | **Earth’s structure** | Describe the structure of the earth and the processes caused by it. |
| 5 | **Landforms** | Describe the shape of the earth’s surface. |
| 6 | **Plants** | Describe the parts of a plant. |
| 7 | **Animals** | Describe the animal kingdom. |