

2023-2024 Syllabus

Biology, Chemistry, and Physical Science

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Classroom Rules

- **Respect**
 - Respect others by treating them the way you want to be treated.
- **Achieve**
 - Come to class ready to work and accomplish the task at hand.
- **Produce**
 - Be on time and turn work in on time.

Classroom Rules/Procedures:

If you choose not to follow the class rules, appropriate disciplinary action will be taken. You will be given a warning, moved to a different seat, and if you continue not to follow rules you will be sent to the office with a referral. Other action may be taken also, as the teacher may deem appropriate, a letter or phone call home to parents may occur. Procedures are different from rules. The classroom procedures establish how you, the student, will work in class and how you complete and present it to me. The entire class will have time to learn what the procedures are, so you know what I will expect from you. Rewards for following the rules may be given to the class. Such rewards may include verbal praise, homework passes, “Caught Being Good” ticket, or something else chosen by the teacher.

Assessment:

Assessment methods may include a combination of the following:

Quizzes and tests

- Other than the end of quarter exams, you will be able to make corrections to earn **half** of the points lost. Ex. If you receive a 70%, you can earn up to an 85% with corrections.

Laboratory experiments and reports

- Lab reports will be completed in class during/ after the lab is completed.

Homework assignments

- Daily assignments will be due at the end of the class period. It is your responsibility to get notes and any other required information that you may have missed. If you have any questions or concerns about missing a class period, you need to speak to me before or after school. You will be given adequate time in class to complete assignments, so use your time wisely.

In terms of cheating: a **0** will be given for any assignment, quiz, or test that you cheat on. A warning will be given for the first incident and a referral will be written for every incident after that. Continued cheating will result in a student earning an E for the quarter and not receiving credit.

Grading:

While I am the one entering grades in the gradebook, **ALL GRADES ARE EARNED BY YOU!!** My main goal is for you to succeed but I can only grade what is presented. Percentages of your grade are as follows:

Assignments: 30%

Quizzes: 30%

Exams: 40%

Class Materials:

You are responsible for being prepared everyday for class work. This means that you should have a pencil and anything else you may need for the day's assignment. If you forget to bring one there is a cup of wooden pencils at the front of the classroom by the door. Be sure to get said pencil BEFORE class starts. Please return the pencil to the cup as you leave class.

Hall and Bathroom:

The first 10 minutes and last 5 minutes of class I would like students to be in the room. This gives me time to take attendance and begin to address the goals for the day. Please try your best to use the restroom during passing periods. With that being said no more than three people are allowed in a bathroom at once. If you are trying to go between classes and there is a line, do not stand in the hallway and wait. If you are not able to go in between classes, I **MAY** (but not often) let you go at the start of class.

No more than two people are allowed to leave the room at a time (1 for boys bathroom, 1 for girls bathroom).

Absences:

If you are absent, as previously stated **YOU** are responsible to get any work that was assigned or collected. This means you should see the teacher upon return immediately to receive any missing work. If you are absent this does not mean you will be excused from quizzes or tests. **You must make arrangements with me to complete these.** I cannot guarantee that you will be able to make them up during class time. Arrangements may need to be made to take them before school, after school, or during your virtual hour.

If you know that you will gone from school ahead of time you should come talk to me to see what you may do to keep up with what the class may be working on. This may be done after we have completed the lesson assignments for the day, before school or after school.

A student is tardy if he/she isn't in their seat when the bell rings. Placing your bag, drink, etc. at your desk and leaving again does not count. Once you have been marked tardy three times, it will count as an absence. If you arrive three minutes or more after the bell rings, you will be marked "UT", which counts as an absence.

Late /Missing Work:

All assignments are due on the assigned date. If you need more time on an assignment, communicate with me **before the due date!** All late work will still be given full credit. If turning in late work becomes a consistent issue, we will need to schedule an individual meeting to find a solution.

If you have any missing work, it will be a zero in the gradebook until it is turned in. This is for students to realize an assignment is missing and have a more accurate score in the gradebook. It is up to the student to turn in any missing work. I will accept them for full credit up to one week before the end of the quarter. I will post reminders on the board.

Food/Drink:

There is to be no food in the classrooms this year except if it is given by the teacher as a reward. Drinks are fine but be sure to clean up after yourself if you spill anything.

Cell phones:

Use of cell phones WILL NOT BE PERMITTED DURING ACTIVE INSTRUCTION FROM THE TEACHER. You will need to place your phone in the sleeves on the wall by the door. Students who follow these rules are permitted to use their cell phones during all breaks.

If you are expecting an important call from a family member or your job, please let me know at the beginning of the hour and we can make an alternate plan for you.

Note: I reserve the right to amend this syllabus at any time as it deems necessary.