



Mrs. Kasi Matula

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Welcome to Shiner 8th Grade Science!

Supplies: Students will need their science journal (composition book) daily in class along with a pencil and occasionally need markers/map pencils, scissors, and glue.

Expectations: I have a One Rule Classroom: If what you're doing interferes with learning, hurts someone's heart, or prevents you from being your best self, you shouldn't be doing it. We will discuss what that means for each class. Not following this rule will result in the following consequences:

- Discuss the behavior with a warning
- Call home
- Detention
- Office Referral

****Any extreme behavior will result in immediate office referral****

Lab Expectations: An important part of science is working in the lab for demonstrations, labs, and other hands-on activities. That being said, it is important to maintain a level of responsibility for your behavior for your protection, as well as that of others. Horseplay, silliness, running, and any other behavior deemed inappropriate in the classroom setting will not be tolerated and will result in the student losing lab privileges. In this case, the student will be given an alternate assignment.

Grading Policy:

25% - Homework, Class assignments, Vocabulary
25% - Quizzes, Group/Class Labs, Daily Warm-Up
50% - Tests/Projects

Absent Work: Absences allow the student one day to make up work for each day absent or an equitable arrangement with the teacher. It is the **responsibility of the student** to make arrangements with the teacher to do make-up work. A grade of “0” will be recorded for work or any assignments not turned in. Students with extracurricular and co-curricular absences are to get assignments from teachers **BEFORE** they leave, if possible.

Retesting: Any student may complete corrections/retest at the discretion of the teacher to earn up to a 70. Students must speak with me to discuss options.

Cheating: Cheating will not be tolerated. If any cheating occurs, district policy will be enforced. Per district policy, there will be no option to redo/retest the assignment.

Cell Phones: Students are not allowed to use their cell phones during the school day. We will enforce the cell phone policy stated in the student code of conduct. This includes the use of Apple Watches.

Communication: It is of the utmost importance to me that you communicate with me about any needs your child has or any questions you may have. The best form of communication is an email. I will always respond in a timely manner.

**I am so excited to have the privilege to teach your child!
I look forward to a GREAT YEAR!!! Go Comanches!**



By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read the rules and policies for Mrs. Matula's class. Please fill in the required information and return this part to Mrs. Matula. Please keep the syllabus for your reference.

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