

Biology Syllabus

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Conference: 7th period 3:20 – 4:09

Course Description: In Biology, students will learn how biological concepts are related at many different levels and gain understanding of the various processes that maintain life. Students will practice academic communication, investigation, and self-management skills during the course of the study. In class, we will be using a digital textbook (SAVVAS) that will be accessible through Schoology.

Schoology Access Code:

Consequences for Inappropriate Behaviors:
warning, seating change, detention, notifying the parent/guardian, restitution, discipline referral, separation from group or activity.

Guidelines:

1. Be respectful of **all** persons in this classroom.
2. Classroom behavior should support learning.
3. Bring your chromebook every day.
4. Take care of our classroom and its contents.
*Do not be wasteful or destructive.
5. **No personal electronics/items.**

Central HS Non Negotiables: According to state law, cell phones and earbuds/airpods/headphones and other devices are not allowed during the school day. Refer to the district policy for further information.

Supplies: Spiral or composition book, & pencil or blue pen or black pen. Bring your chromebook daily.

Beginning of Class:

1. Pick up necessary supplies for class (journal, worksheets, etc....)
2. Be in your seat when the tardy bell rings.
3. Begin Bell Work/Warm Up Question for the day.

Classwork Time:

1. Use pencil or blue/black pen.
2. Be sure heading is completed. It **MUST** be filled out on **EVERY** assignment.
3. Be in your seat; do not dawdle for supplies or waste time.
4. Be patient – with your peers, with your teacher, with aides.
5. **Individual Work:** Work quietly and independently. Raise your hand if you need help.
6. **Group Work:** Work within your own group. No wandering or cross-group talking. Help each other so that everyone contributes. You are responsible for completing your own short-answer questions.
7. **If you need to leave class, you must use your own Minga. Use the RR/fountains in the upstairs hallway.**
No wandering and no disrupting other classrooms. You have 2 hall passes per day...use them wisely.

End of Class:

1. Do not put supplies away until 2 minutes before the bell. (See schedule.)
2. Put all supplies/materials where they belong. Trash goes in the trash, not on the floor/bookshelves/under the desk.
3. The teacher will dismiss, not the bell.

Grading Policies:

1. Percentages: **Major Grades--- 60% Minor grades--- 40%**
2. Assignments should be neat, complete, and turned in on time with a heading and answers.
3. **Late Work:** Any assignment not turned in at the time of collection is considered late and will have a reduced grade, with the exception of assignments made while absent. Assignments/Tests made before the absence are due upon return.
4. **Absences:** Number of days missed +1 day for assignments made while absent.
5. Semester exam exemptions and grading procedures follow district policy. (sem avg ≥ 80 ; ≤ 3 absences; spring sem)
6. **Students will have a digital grade report that can be accessed in Public Portal every 3 weeks.**
7. **Grades are recorded at 3:30pm on predetermined Fridays for UIL.**

Test Corrections: If students score below a 70 on a major assignment, they will have the opportunity to correct exams/major grades. Students will have 5 school days to come to Bobcat Block, meet with the teacher for clarification on the concepts, and complete the test corrections. **This will enable the student to raise their grade to a maximum of 70.**

Make-Up Work:

1. Tutorials are used to complete make-up work. Do NOT copy another student's work to call your own.
2. Handouts are numbered on the assignment board and may be found in the blue basket.
3. Check Schoology for assignments you missed, including what items were turned in.

Tutorials:

**Wednesday 4:09- 4:30 PM. Wednesday and Thursday: 7:45- 8:15 AM. In Tucker 209.
Bobcat Block**

Copying/Academic Honesty:

Copying another student's work is strictly prohibited. Do not "lend" your assignment to another student. **Both** students will have papers taken up and consequences will apply.

You **may discuss** an open-ended response, but the recorded answer should be your own.

Recorded answers should be your own work, not AI generated.

ISS and Placement:

Work will be sent to ISS. Students who do not complete their **assignments** when out of class will receive **zeroes** for those assignments. **Assignments are assigned**, they are not optional.

Illness:

Assignments and directions will be located in Schoology. If it is a paper assignment, you may print the assignment or write your answers on notebook paper to turn in upon your return to class.



Parent Signature

Student Signature

Print student first/last name here _____ Biology Class Period _____