# **Science Department Syllabus**

During the year students will participate in a variety of activities such as labs, projects, note-taking, reading and homework involving an integrated science curriculum of earth, physical and life sciences. My objective is to make the class enjoyable as well as educational. In order for this to take place there are some guidelines to review.

#### I. CLASSROOM SAFETY AND BEHAVIOR

Classroom behavior is expected to conform to school policy at all times, refer to your handbook that outlines being respectful, safe, and responsible. For safety reasons, it is even more important that students behave properly in science class. Unsafe lab behavior and practices will result in lab privileges being taken away. Science is fun when students behave responsibly.

## II. HOMEWORK

\*Each day at the beginning of the period, students will record the day's assignment in their agenda/assignment calendar from the board. The daily agenda will also be shared in Google Classroom if absent.

\*All assignments must be turned in prior to the assessment of the content. If you are going out of town you're responsible for checking Google Classroom and taking home your workbook. All work, in class or at home should be legible and written in complete sentences.

\*Students must do their own work, and all written classwork/homework must be in their own words. Plagiarism or copied work will not be accepted and will result in 0 points for that assignment (including AI platforms).

\*Unfinished classwork becomes homework. Any work without a name is placed in a specific area. It is the student's responsibility to check for no name assignments periodically to claim any papers that may be theirs. If found they are to put their name on paper and resubmit for grading.

#### III. ATTENDANCE AND MAKE-UPS

\*Assignments missed due to excused absences may be made up, one day late for each day absent. It is the *student's* responsibility to get the missing assignments and turn them in. This is done by either consulting with a fellow classmate or checking the agenda available in Google Classroom.

\*See me to schedule make-ups for labs or tests missed.

\*Any work not made up in the time frame discussed above will result in a zero.

## IV. GRADING

Tests, quizzes, and projects will account for 60% of the grade. Homework and classwork will account for 40% of the grade. Grades will be figured on a point system, point values will be given to every assignment. At grade time the points are totaled and weighted accordingly and then assigned a grade according to the standard grade scale.

# V. PARENT SIGNATURES

When a parent signature is required on paperwork the students will have 2 days to get the signature and return it to class. If the student fails to get a parent signature in the time frame stated, then he/she will be given detention.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the classroom expectations or if your child is experiencing some difficulties, please contact me. I hope that your child will enjoy his/her year of science!

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