

COURSE SYLLABUS FOR 7th GRADE LIFE SCIENCE

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Life Science is a 7th grade course that provides students with the opportunity to learn that Life science is the study of living things. The life sciences comprise all fields of science that involve the scientific study of living organisms, like plants, animals, and human beings. The students will learn about environmental and global issues which affect our world. Emphasis will be placed on skill development to provide students with the basic tools they need to be successful in the course.

MISSED OR MAKE-UP WORK:

It will be necessary for missed work, including make-up tests, to be made up at the teacher's convenience. If a student has been approved for an absence and wishes to take a test or turn in homework before the absence, this matter is left to the discretion of the teacher. In cases where the test is available, it is advantageous to both the student and teacher to take the test early.

All work missed must be made up within the number of days the student was absent. For example: 2 days absence – 2 days to make up work. If the student does not make up a test within the required time, the test will be recorded as a zero.

If the homework or tests were assigned prior to the absence, the student is responsible for the test or homework upon returning to school. If the student is absent due to a school function, (Math fair, Science fair, AHSAA sanctioned sporting event, etc.) all work must be turned in on the first day back to school. Tests that were assigned previously will be given as scheduled.

LATE WORK:

For every day that the assignment is late, 10pts will be deducted. I will not accept any late work past a week of that assignments due date.

MATERIALS TO BRING TO CLASS EVERYDAY:

- **Science book ALWAYS!!**
- **Notecards**
- **Binder with dividers**
- **Loose-leaf paper or notebook (however you prefer to take notes)**
- **Pen/pencil and highlighter**

GRADING: The goal of this class is for students to demonstrate proficiency or mastery on the science standards.

1. Labs/class participation = 10%
2. Assignments/homework/Quizzes = 30%
3. Tests/projects = 60%

CLASS RULES:

- Be RESPECTFUL
 - No talking while the teacher is talking
 - No talking while another student is talking (answering/asking questions)
 - Raise your hand to speak

If a student breaks these rules:

1. Their name will go on the board (visual warning).
2. They will get a dash by their name (desk moves up to mine).
3. Two dashes means break detention for a week.
4. Three dashes is a trip to Coach Kennedy's office.