

Classroom Syllabus

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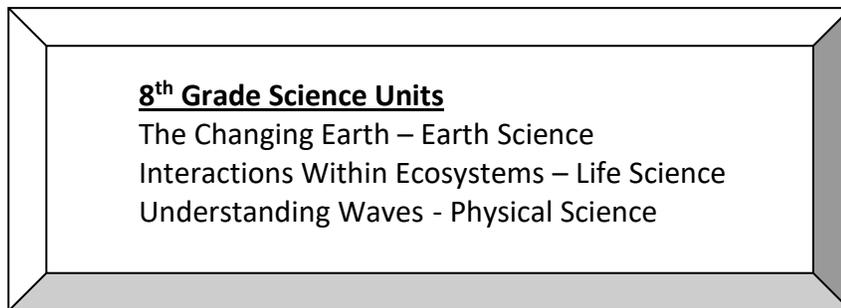
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Supply List:

Folder
pencils/pens

colored pencils
headphones

Eighth grade science is a required class that is designed to spark students' interest and empower them to ask more questions, think more critically, and generate innovative ideas. The units being taught are listed below.



Classroom Expectations:

1. **PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY**
 - *leave personal belongings in locker
 - *cellphones left in locker or put in organizer
 - *bring pass if late to class
 - *be organized with all materials at the beginning of class
 - *stay on task during activities
2. **RESPECT**
 - *upon entering classroom, take your assigned seat
 - *respect all property
 - *be courteous during instruction and work time
3. **INTEGRITY**
 - *understand the difference between collaboration and cheating
4. **DEDICATION**
 - *follow teacher instructions
 - *participate in class
 - *complete high-quality work
5. **EXCELLENCE**
 - *use assignment notebook
 - *work to the best of your ability
 - *be a positive leader

Grading:

5% participation (*classroom workbook/preparation for class*)
 15% homework (*labs, lesson reviews, study guides*)
 80% assessments (*quizzes, exams*)

Corrections/Retakes:

No points can be earned back on **participation**. This will be done during class as a whole group or partner. If absent, this must be made up.

Corrections can be made on some **homework** up to a 75%. The highest possible grade on **late work** is 75%. Study guides and lesson reviews are expected to be done when due so they can be used for the assessments.

Retakes can be taken one time on **quizzes** to improve your score up to 80%. All retakes must be completed by the module exam.

Retakes can be taken on **module exams** up to 80%. Students will be required to complete the Learn Smart program for the module to show an understanding of the material.

Academic Integrity:

Much of the daily workbook will be done collaboratively in my room. This will be graded as participation. I expect students to complete their homework independently. All quizzes and exams are done independently. Students who do not follow the guidelines for classwork will be handled on an individual basis. The consequences may include redoing the assignment, not allowing retakes, or earning a 0%. Cheating on assessments will be an automatic referral to the office. Parents will be informed on any action taken.

Absences:

If you are absent or plan to be absent, I encourage you or someone else to get your missed assignments if possible. If not, please email me or see me before school or during advisory time for your missed work. Quizzes and module exams can be taken early or will be made up when you return. This may be done during advisory, ELT, or before or after school.

Extra Help:

I will be available most days before school from 7:30-8:00 for extra help, with the exception of Tuesdays and other occasional mornings. If more time is needed, please see me during ELT or to schedule some after school help. Written permission will be required for after school help.

Grading Scale

93-100	A
90-92	A-
87-89	B+
83-86	B
80-82	B-
77-79	C+
73-76	C
70-72	C-
68-69	D+
66-67	D
65	D-
64	F

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Mrs. Bridget Christopherson
Grade 8 Science

Fill in the following information to show you have read the Classroom Syllabus and to provide me with contact information. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by phone or email. If I do not reply to your emails, please call me as soon as possible. Some emails are categorized as SPAM and do not make it to my inbox.

Student Name: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Preference of Contact: (*chose one*) _____ (Email) _____ (Phone) _____ (Cell)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Student Signature