**Biology Syllabus**

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**Required Materials:**

1. Notebook (with sewn-in pages)
2. Extra college ruled paper
3. Pencils/Erasers 
4. 2 Different colored pens
5. Highlighters
6. Tape
7. Scientific Calculator- if you have one!
8. Chromebook/Laptop(Everyday!)
9. Biology Book (Keep it handy for extra help!)
10. Lab Safety Goggles (Given In Class for labs)

**Classroom Rules and Expectations:**

1. Follow All Lab Safety Procedures
2. Leave All Distractions At Home
3. Walk Into The Classroom Ready To Learn With All Materials Out
4. Respect The teacher, Others and Yourself
5. Always Do Your Best

Students will…

* Come into class quietly and ready to work hard
* Bring your chromebook and notebook to class everyday
* Participate in in-class discussions
* Show respect and courtesy to all
* Be in your seat working from bell to bell
* Use appropriate language within the classroom
* Not eat, drink or chew gum in the classroom

**Consequences:**

1. Verbal Warning
2. Parent Contact
3. Take Home Detention
4. Referral

**Lab Safety:**

Lab safety is required for all students for every lab performed in class.

Students will be expected to wear appropriate clothing and lab goggles during

the entire lab. Students who do not follow lab safety procedures will be removed

from class.

**Grading:**

A- 90-100%

B- 80%-89%

C- 70%-79%

D-60%-69%

F- Under 59%

Your grade will be based on the following breakdown:

40%- Tests (Unit Assessments, Large Projects and Benchmarks)

25%- Labs (Pre-Labs, Participation,Virtual Labs and Lab Reports)

25%- Notebook/Classwork (Warm-Ups, Notes, In-Class Activities and Classwork)

10%- Quizzes/QuickWrites/Reflections

**Biology Notebook (BN): one required EACH SEMESTER**

* Bring to class EVERY day.
* DO NOT RIP OUT ANY PAGES; you will need all of them!
* Your information must be on the front (Name, Period, etc).
* Handouts MUST BE taped/glued on the correct page for credit. No staples.
* You must keep the table of contents up to date
* Class Work/Assignments – format will be covered in class.
* Assignments will be checked weekly but the notebook will be collected at the end of each unit for separate points based on completion of the notebook tasks.

**Laboratory Activities:**

All Biology students will be performing labs throughout the school year. Any student not

participating in the labs will not receive a passing grade in the class.

• Students will use their notebook for lab activities (prewrites, data).

• Students will receive lab instruction sheets prior to lab activity days.

• Lab reports are to be completed as per format given in class.

• Students may not use data from labs they did not participate in. Students with

excused absences must arrange a make-up lab. Participation points are awarded

to students that “do their fair share” of the lab.

• Participation points will be taken away for improper behavior during a lab.

**Attendance and Make-up Work/Late Work:**

Attendance is required and vital to student success in this course. Unexcused absences/Tardies may result in a zero grade. It is your responsibility to complete missed assignments. Missed grades due to excused absences can be made up. Makeup labs must be scheduled with the teacher in advance. Late Work will be accepted until the end of each unit. Anything turned in after this will not be accepted.

**Cheating:**

Cheating will result in a zero for the assignment for both students. In addition, parents

 will be called and students subject to administrative discipline. Lab partners may work

 together but are to interpret data and write their results independently. Plagiarism is also

 considered cheating.

**Return this portion to Mrs.Welch for credit!**

**I have read and understand the requirements and procedures outlined in this Syllabus and will come into the classroom every day ready to learn, with all required materials, and will work hard to the best of my ability. As a parent, I will support my student’s learning in every way possible and understand all requirements outlined in this syllabus.**

**Print Parent Name: Print Student Name:**

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**Parent Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Student Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date**: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**