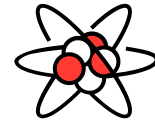




Stony Point 9 High School

Biology Policies

2009-2010



WELCOME!!

Welcome to an exciting year of biology! I believe that you will find this class to be both **interesting** and **challenging**. I am happy to have you in this class and I want to do everything I can to help you succeed. I have, therefore developed the following procedures and policies to ensure your success and enjoyment of the course.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Follow all District and school policies. (dress code, conduct, etc.)
2. Bring your completed homework, biology binder, study guide, writing utensils, and brain to class every day **on time**.
3. Follow directions the first time they are given.
4. Be respectful of yourself and Others.
5. Participate actively and **HAVE FUN!**

TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Provide instructional leadership.
2. Return tests, quizzes and assignments in a timely manner.
3. Provide tutorials to help ensure student success.
4. Provide a safe and welcoming classroom environment for the students.
5. **HAVE FUN!**

CONSEQUENCES

The following represent a minimum response to violations of our health and safety policy:

1. Visual or verbal warning
2. Student/teacher conference
3. Parent Contact and/or detention
4. Referral to Assistant Principal

MATERIALS

You will need to obtain these materials in the next week.

- **Five Subject Notebook (ESSENTIAL!)**
- Biology Text Book
- Internet Access (school or home)
- Writing Utensils – students should come prepared with pens and/or pencils **EVERY DAY!**
- Colored Pencils/Markers and 2 Glue Sticks
- Bring for community use _____

GRADING POLICIES

Work Ethics	5%
Daily Activities and Homework	30%
Projects, Labs, Tests, Quizzes	70%

LATE WORK and RETEST POLICY

- On Time = 100% max.
- Turned in next day = 70% max.
- Next class day = 50% max.



Students are also able to retest for a 70.

ABSENT POLICY

- It is the student's responsibility to ask about missed work the day they come back to class.
- Students who have an excused absence have the number of days they missed to make up their assignments. (RRISD Policy)
- Students who were truant or skipping may not be allowed to make up work.
- Students who miss the unit exam (multiple choice) must take a written make-up exam!

BATHROOM POLICY

Please do your business before and after class. If you must go during class, please do not ask to go during these times:

- 20 minutes **after & before** the bell (RRISD Policy)
- During classroom instruction

Only go after teacher gives you permission.

LAB SAFETY

Biology is a lab intensive course; therefore the following procedures are enforced to ensure your safety.

- No food or drink except for bottled water. (teacher discretion)
- Always wear the designated safety equipment. (Goggles, apron, etc.)
- Horseplay is never appropriate.
- Broken lab equipment must be replaced by the student at catalog cost.
- All students are responsible for their lab station.
- Students who refuse to follow safety procedures will either lose points or be banned from the lab with a zero grade.

**These policies are generalized guidelines and are standard for all Biology teachers at Stony Point 9.*

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