

## contact me:



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Google Classroom code:

1<sup>st</sup>- 53hrfge

2<sup>nd</sup>- 7alnrgz

5<sup>th</sup>- 2lc3og7

6<sup>th</sup>- ixd6ztr

## GOALS

- To develop students' understanding and appreciation of the nature of science.
- To practice and apply Biological/Environmental concepts through a variety of projects, hands-on activities, and lab experiments
- To prepare students for a higher level of science education and greater develop their ability to think scientifically.

## CLASS MATERIALS

### Required:

☐ 1.5" to 2" 3-ring binder

☐ Ruled filler paper

☐ Pencils/Pens

☐ Folder

☐ Colored Pencils

☐ Calculator



## ROOM 408 CLASS PROCEDURES ( WHEN AT SCHOOL 😞 )



### Expectations

### Consequences

1. Respect everyone in the classroom
2. Raise your hand for permission to speak, leave the classroom etc.
3. No Food or Drink.—Water is permitted.

1. Be in seat when bell rings.
2. Put name on all work.
3. Do not use electronic devices in class without teacher permission.
4. Use restroom during passing breaks.
5. Maintain a clean and orderly work area.
6. Bring all of your supplies to class daily.
7. Complete all of your work and turn it in on time.

It is my job, as teacher, to maintain an environment in which all students can learn comfortably. Therefore, disruptive, inappropriate, and disrespectful behaviors will not be tolerated. Expected behaviors may need to be reinforced until a solution can be reached, including consequences.

1. **Warning:** the teacher provides a verbal reprimand/reminder to student.
2. **Detention:** short time spent after school to contemplate conduct.
3. **Referral to Administration:** a student will be immediately referred to administration for severe behavior problems.

## GRADES

### Assessments

80%

Content Knowledge

20%

Work Ethic

homework  
classwork  
projects

Get into the habit of checking IC regularly! You are responsible for your success in my class so stay in the "know" of what your grade is. Also, *sometimes* I make mistakes because no one is perfect. Please bring them to my attention.

## LATE / INCOMPLETE WORK



- My expectation is that **ALL** assignments be completed to a level of proficiency (**70% or higher**) and turned in on time.
- **Late work** is accepted for **50%** of the grade \* *Printer and Internet issues are not an excuse for late work.*
- Late work will be **entered** into IC **when I get to it**- You took your time turning in your work, therefore, I reserve the right to put your late grade in on my time.
- **Life Happens!**- come to me if you need an extension on assignments due to issues at home or school. You must ask at least one day prior to due date. No extension will be granted if asking the day the assignment is due.

## ABSENTEE POLICY

- \* **YES, WE DID SOMETHING IMPORTANT WHILE YOU WERE ABSENT.**
- \* It is the student's responsibility to check with a friend or Mrs. Koester to find any assignments missed.
- \* A student has two extra days to turn in any work assigned on a day a student was absent. If a quiz/test was administered on a day a student was absent, it must be made up with in one week. If previously assigned work was due on the day of the absence, the work is due on the first day the student returns.

## GOOGLE CLASSROOM



## GOOGLE MEETS

**Google Classroom**- Class assignments, projects, and assessments will be completed digitally through the Google Classroom. You never have to print an assignment. You simply use a Google slide or doc to put you answers to the assignment on there to submit or use a sheet of paper and write you answers. Then you take a picture and submit the image. I will go over this in a video. GoFormative is another program we will using as well to complete tests and quizzes.

**Google Meets** –Google Meets are times to come and ask questions! Do not feel intimidated to talk me. I will be there in the meet to teach and help you. Here are the times for your class: **1<sup>st</sup>- Wed. 9am-10am** **2<sup>nd</sup>- Thurs. 9am-10am** **5<sup>th</sup>-Wed. 1pm-2pm** **6<sup>th</sup>-Thurs 1pm-2pm**. I will have the meet code in Google classroom posted for each week.

## PLAGIARISM



**Plagiarism is the taking ideas and writings of another and passing them off as one's own.**

**In this class, plagiarism includes...**

1. turning in another's **work** as one's own
2. **copying** work from a friend before class (or while in another class)
3. including a source but failing to **cite** it
4. copying an **author's exact words** and passing them off as one's own

**Students caught plagiarizing will be given a ZERO for the assignment.**

## CHEATING

- \* The teacher will notify the administration and contact parents if cheating / plagiarism is suspected.
- \* The student will be given a zero for that particular test or assignment.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read and understand the rules and expectations for class. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to contact my teacher if I have any questions or concerns. I know that this syllabus, assignments, calendars, and resources are available to me on the **Google Classroom** at any time. I know that assignments can be submitted digitally at any time and that printer/computer/flash drive issues are not an excuse for late work.

**Sign**

**Student** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent** \_\_\_\_\_