

GENERAL BIOLOGY

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CLASSROOM/OFFICE HOURS

I will be at school from 10:15 am until 4 pm each day. Since my day is shortened, I will also be available during lunch if arranged in advance.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

In Biology, students will study ecology, the cell, heredity, biological diversity, interdependence of organisms, matter and energy, organization in living systems and the behavior of organisms.

TEXTBOOK

McGraw Hill - *Biology*

SUPPLIES

- Textbook
- 3-ring binder or notebook
- Folder
- Pencil or pen

COURSE OVERVIEW

First semester will cover ecology, the cell, genetics, and history of biological diversity. Second semester will cover plants, invertebrates, vertebrates and the human body.

*subject to change

GRADING SYSTEM

- Points will be earned on homework, class participation and effort, tests and quizzes, projects and labs.
- The FHS grading system will determine the letter grade.
- Extra Credit will be available (in limited quantity) on class activities, quizzes, and tests.

**There will be opportunities to re-do a limited number of assignments.*

RULES AND EXPECTATIONS

- Be Prepared - Come to class with all required materials and a positive attitude!
- Be Respectful - Be respectful in words and actions.
- Be Present - Use class time wisely and listen/participate during instruction time.

CONSEQUENCES

- 1st Offense - Verbal Warning
- 2nd - Detention after school with me and fill out a discipline form.
- 3rd - Detention after school with me. Student will inform parents and return signed discipline form.
- 4th - Office referral for a detention.
- My last straw - Immediate removal from class and a conference with parents.

TARDINESS + ENTERING/LEAVING ROOM

- Be seated and prepared to learn before the final bell rings.
- Stay seated until excused at end of class.

HOMEWORK + MAKEUP WORK

- Assignments will be given during class.
- Work time will usually be available for homework during the class period (following the instruction).
- Students are responsible for requesting assignments prior to absences and for completing work in a timely manner. Missed tests/projects/labs, due to excused absences, must be made up in a reasonable amount of time.