



Biology Syllabus
Mrs. Brentni Rymer
Room 36
2022-2023



Biology I Course Description: Recommended prerequisite: Physical Science

Biology I is a laboratory science course that investigates the relationship between structure and function from molecules to organisms and systems, the interdependence and interactions of biotic and abiotic components of the environment, and mechanisms that maintain continuity and lead to changes in populations over time. Students explore biological concepts through an inquiry approach. Biology is a required laboratory science course with an EOC (End of Course) exam.

Note to Parents/Guardians:

Please feel free to contact me anytime you wish to do so. You can reach me by email (preferred) or phone (please leave a message). You will also be able to track your child's progress by visiting <https://grundycoschools.powerschool.com/public/>. Please check it often to stay up to date with their performance. **Email:** brymer@gundyk12.com

Teacher Schedule:

- 1st Period – Biology
- 2nd Period – Biology
- 3rd Period – Biology
- 4th Period – Biology
- 5th Period – Biology
- 6th Period – Biology
- 7th Period – Biology

Grading Procedures: There are 6 categories in our class.

1. Daily Assignments – 20%
2. Labs/Quizzes – 15%
3. Regular Exams –20%
4. Notebook - 10%
5. Homework - 10%
6. Semester Exam – 25%

Materials: Each student will need to bring these items to class each day. When projects are assigned, larger items such as posters will be required.

- *Blue or Black Ink Pen or #2 Pencil
- *2-one subject spiral notebooks or 1-5subject
- * \$5.00 lab donation for dissection and materials

Rules:

- 1) Be on time.
- 2) Be prepared.
- 3) Be respectful.
- 4) Always follow directions.
- 5) Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself.

Consequences:

- 1) Warning
- 2) Personal conference with teacher after class
- 3) Stay after class to perform cleaning duty
- 4) Additional assignment/ write-off
- 5) Teacher calls your parent/guardian.
- 6) Discipline referral to Vice Principal/Principal.

*NOTE: Mrs. Rymer reserves the right to escalate to any level of this plan at any time where a more severe consequence is needed.

Supplies Wish List:

- *Disinfectant Wipes
- *Post-it Notes
- *Tape
- *Hand Sanitizer
- *Tissues
- *Coloring pencils

Policy and Procedures:

I. Entering/Leaving Classroom:

- a. Start the bellwork assignment as soon as you enter the classroom.
- b. Once you've finished bellwork, sit quietly and wait for further instructions.

- c. **I dismiss you from class, the bell does not.**
- d. Remain in your assigned seat, unless permission is given to leave your seat.
- e. Before leaving at the end of class, please make sure your area is clean.

II. Classroom Expectations:

- a. Be honest in all work.
- b. Raise your hand if you have a question or comment.
- c. Put forth your best effort in group and individual work assignments.
- d. Complete and turn in all assignments. Zeroes will drop your grade quickly!
- e. Always be on task.
- f. Sharpen your pencil before class starts.
- g. Turn in assignments to the correct bin.
- h. Place late work in the "Late/Make-Up" bin on my desk. ***Late work has a ten point deduction per day late.**
- i. Have your homework ready to turn in as soon as you enter the classroom.
- j. Use this template for heading your paper in the top right hand corner: First & Last Name, date, and period
- k. Always write the assignment title at the top of your page.
- l. Lab safety is critical; always follow rules and directions while doing lab. Lab is a privilege; don't lose it!!!
- m. No food or drink is allowed at the lab tables!!!

III. Make-Up Work: It's your responsibility to get missed assignments during an **EXCUSED** absence. Check the Make-Up Work Board in the back right-hand corner of the room for missed assignments. You'll find the missed work in the file folder labeled the day of the week you missed. **Please write "M" at the top before turning in the assignment.** *You have **three** days to make up missed work from an excused absence; a zero will be given after the three days if the work has not been turned in.

Note: Unexcused absences will automatically earn a zero, with no ability to make up the assignment (see the GCHS student handbook).

IV. Tardies: *A demerit will be given with each tardy.

1st-5th-tardies will earn a demerit

6th tardy-office discipline referral

*Three tardies in one class equals one unexcused absence for that class.

V. Extra Credit: will be given at the teacher's discretion and will not be given individually to any one student. Varied opportunities for extra credit will be given throughout the year for different amounts of points.

VI. Virtual Learning: Students enrolled in virtual learning will be required to complete the same assignments as traditional students. Attendance will be taken as it is within the traditional classroom. You are responsible for logging in, on time, during each class meeting and being diligent in completing your assignments. Taking exams at home will not be permitted; Administration has instructed the Virtual Learning Center to be used for testing of virtual students. You will need to arrange transportation to the VLC on GCHS campus during the scheduled time for testing. Call 931-304-2333 and select "1" to speak to someone in the VLC regarding testing appointments/questions.

Please return this slip during class to Mrs. Rymer by Friday, 8-14-20.

My child and I have read Mrs. Rymer's syllabus and understand it completely. My child is willing to follow her rules and willing to carry the consequences of his or her own actions, should there be any. We both understand this document is a contract.

Print student's name: _____

Student signature: _____

Print parent(s) or Guardian(s) name: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Phone number(s) or email to reach you:

Comments:

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