

High School Science Syllabus

2024-2025



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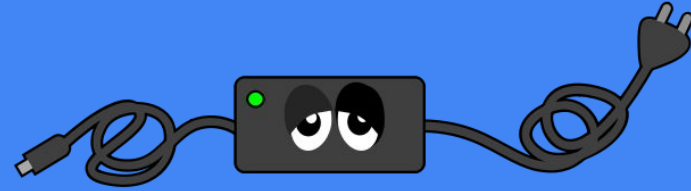
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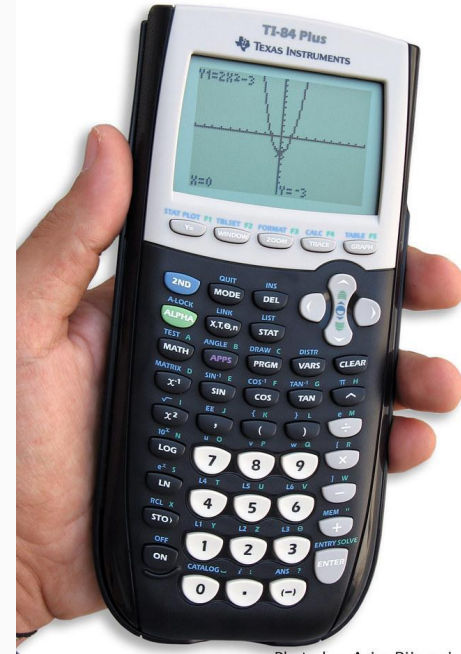
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Please email me when you have questions and/or concerns. If you email me after 4pm on a school day or on the weekend, I likely will not get back to you until after 8am on the next school day.

Everyday Supplies



- Pen
- Pencil w/eraser
- Spiral notebook or notebook paper
- Folder or binder (somewhere to put your graded papers)
- Calculator (same one as for math)
- Chromebook & charging cord
- earbuds/headphones
- Water bottle



Turn in to your 1st period teacher

- 1 large (or 2 small) cleaning/Clorox wipes
- 2 boxes of tissues/Kleenex
- 2 reams of all-purpose copy paper
- All paperwork and signed forms from the office
 - Including the AUP! This is very important!



Turn in 1st week of school



Biology, Chemistry, & Physics

- \$10 lab supply fee
 - If you think it might take longer than the first week of school to turn in the lab supply fee, no worries. Please let me know privately so that I will know what to expect.

Other Supplies

- 1 white poster board (Biology)
- 1 box of gloves (Chemistry)
- Choose 1: masking tape, clear tape, packing tape, duct tape (Physics)
- Graph paper spiral notebook (Scientific Research & Design)



Textbooks



Biology Chemistry, & Physics

- We will be using physical textbooks and online resources this year. The physical textbooks will be kept in the classroom unless a student checks out that specific textbook to take home to do an assignment. Students will have 24/7 access to the online version of the textbook.

Scientific Research & Design

- We will not be using physical textbooks. We will be using online textbook resources.

Food/Gum/Drinks/Candy

Food, gum, drinks, and candy are not allowed in the classroom without specific permission from Mrs. Deana. If you ask respectfully and we aren't doing a lab in class that day, I might say yes. You just need to ask first.



Bathroom Policy

- If you really need to go, I will let you go.
- Please try not to ask when we are in the middle of a lesson.

WHATEVER



**JUST WASH
YOUR HANDS**

Electronic Device Policy

Unless I have given you specific permission to use your phone (or any other electronic device) during class, don't have it out. If your phone usage is distracting you or anyone else from doing their work, I will take it up.



Make-up Work

- I try to be very understanding about completing make up work.
- Please remember that it is your responsibility to ask about make up work and turn it in in a timely manner.
- Typically, labs cannot be made up. You would be given an alternative assignment.
- Tests & quizzes will need to be made up during study hall.



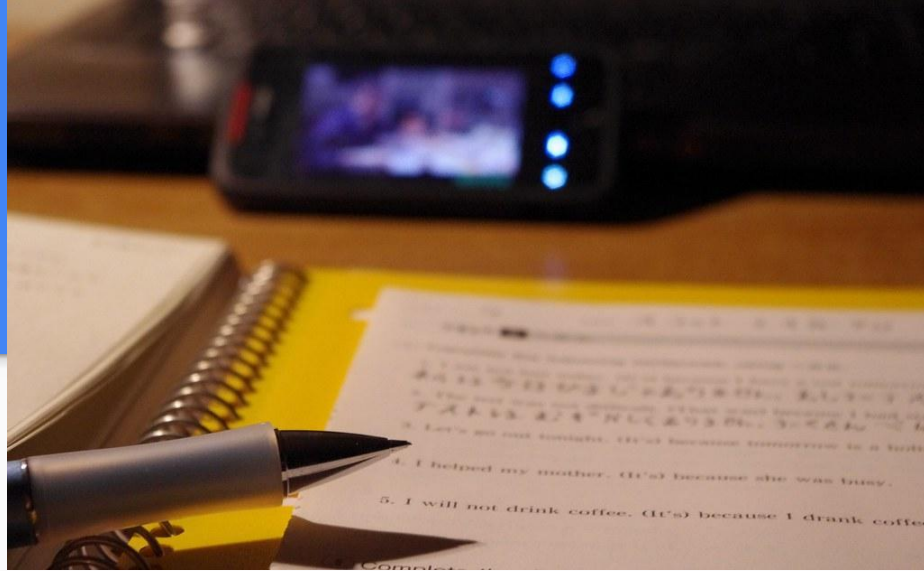
Late Work



- My policy is that I do not accept late work.
- However.....if you think you have an extenuating circumstance that will prevent you from being able to complete an assignment and turn it in on time, you can ask about an extension.
- Late = Zero



Homework



- For most of my science classes, I rarely assign homework.
- If you have something you need to do for this class after the regular school day, it is typically because you didn't finish an assignment during class, you are working on a long-term project, or you are studying for a test/quiz.

Scientific Research & Design class is a bit different. Depending on your project, you may regularly have work that needs to be done at home.

Retakes

- You can retake tests and most quizzes!
- Retakes will usually be given during study hall.
- You will usually have one week to retake a test or quiz.



Discipline/Rules

#1 Rule: Be a good human. This means respect people and respect property.

ALPHAKINGS

ONE DAY YOU'LL
LOOK BACK
AND THANK
YOURSELF FOR
NOT GIVING UP.

Grading

Biology, Chemistry, Physics, & Scientific Research & Design

- Major 40%
 - Tests, Major Labs, Projects
- Daily 60%
 - Classwork, Quick labs, Quizzes



The grading policy will change for Scientific Research & Design in the second semester. You will get more information about this in January.

Lab Safety

- Please read, sign, and return this by TOMORROW (August 15).
- We may be doing a lab or activity this Friday. If you don't have this turned in, you won't be able to participate in the lab or activity.



Lab Supply Fee



Biology, Chemistry, & Physics

- \$10
- This helps cover consumable science supplies we will use in this class this school year.

Scientific Research & Design

- There is no lab fee for this class.
- Depending on the topic for your independent project, you may incur costs associated with researching the topic you choose.
- I will advise you and help you keep these costs to a minimum.

Any Questions?



What questions do you have for me?

What do you want to know about this class?

What do you want to know about me?

Is there anything I can do to help you feel more comfortable in this class?