# Mr. Magni

# **AP Biology**

## **Required Materials:**

Notebook/binder, textbook, pen, pencil, ruler, lab notebook

#### Course Work:

*Labs* - All labs are done in groups and will be in the lab notebook. The lab score will count for 30% of your grade.

*Tests* – There will be tests at the end of each unit. These tests count for 70% of your grade.

If you are serious about doing well in this class, you must follow the schedule listed on the board. READING THE CHAPTERS ON TIME IS A VERY GOOD IDEA. It works!

#### Other Class Rules:

- Treat each member of the class with respect.
- Do your own work; cheating will NOT be tolerated. If you cheat on an assignment, you will get zero credit, a call home, a referral, and possibly be dropped from the class.
- Poor lab safety may result in removal from the class, payment for damaged or broken items, or both!
- Tardy students will be penalized according to the school tardy policy. Failure to come to detention will result in a referral to the Assistant Principal.
- Absent students will be given time to make up the work.
- Makeup tests In the event a student misses an exam, they could be given a different version of the exam.
- Students who *cut* class will receive **no** credit for work done in that period.
- There is no late work accepted in the class.
- Cell phones and portable music devices are NOT to be used during class. I will take them away and a parent or guardian will have to come to school to get them from the Assistant Principal.
- District issued tablets are permitted in class. If they are used in a disruptive manner, discipline action will result.
- There will be no recording of teachers or students using any type of portable electronic devices.
- Other behavior infractions will result in the punishment stated in the student handbook.

# The AP Test:

The AP Biology test is going to be on Monday May 11, 2020. *If you have an A or a B in the class, I expect that you are going to take the test.* Success on the exam (a 3 or better) makes you look more impressive in the eyes of a college and you may earn college credit depending on what college or university you will be attending. For fee reduction information, please see your counselor.

## Grading:

Your course grade will be determined by the total number of points you received divided by the total number of points possible for the course.

Let's say Student X got 49 out of 50 points on his labs worth 30% of his grade = 29.4% 171 out of 220 points on his tests worth 70% of his grade = 54.4%

By adding the percents from the two categories, Student's X's grade is 83.8%.

#### Grade Value:

A+	97%+	C+	77%-79.9%
А	93%-96.9%	С	73%-76.9%
A-	90%-92.9%	C-	70%-72.9%
B+	87%-89.9%	D+	67%-69.9%
В	83%-86.9%	D	63%-66.9%
B-	80%-82.9%	D-	60%-62.9%
		F	0%-59.9%

Under this system, Student X would have received a B for his efforts. In order to get credits for graduation, you need to get 60% or better.

Student Signature	
Parent Signature	
Date	