## Prattville High School – Biology – Mr.Davis – Room 304 – 2024-2025

**Websites** – <http://gophslions.com>., <http://schoology.com>

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**TEXTBOOK – Miller & Levine. *Biology.* Pearson, 2013, \*\*\* Virtual Biology Content posted within your Schoology class will serve as our primary text this school year.**

**GRADING**

* Grading will occur on a variety of assignments, including class participation, worksheets, writing assignments, problem-solving labs, formal labs, quizzes, tests, and projects. Depending on the assignment, it may be submitted (turned in) on schoology or physically in the classroom.
* Papers/projects will be returned to you. Tests are kept in my files.Keep all returned graded papers until that term is complete to verify grades, if a question arises.
* Grades will be recorded in **powerschools, NOT in SCHOOLOGY!**. **Check it regularly.** Contact me if you have any questions about your grade. I will enter thousands of grades over the school year, and **MISTAKES WILL BE MADE.** It is not personal.
* Grading Percentages:

**Honors Biology- 65% major tests & projects, 35% class work, quizzes and homework**

**General Biology- 55% major tests & projects, 45% class work, quizzes and homework**

**The first semester grade will be composed from 40% first nine weeks, 40% second nine weeks, and 20% for the midterm exam. The second semester grade will be composed from 40% third nine weeks, 40% fourth nine weeks, and 20% for final exam. Final Grades will be composed of a 50:50 average between first and second semester grades. The final Exam will cover the entire school year (cumulative exam).**

**ASSIGNMENTS ARE:**

* Due by the same day, the following day, or whenever otherwise prompted in the traditional classroom. Assignments that are expected to be turned in on schoology will list expected due dates.
* Late work/projects will drop **10%** of the assigned grade for each day late.

**MAKEUP WORK**

For regular daily assignments (other than projects), you have as many days to make up the work as you have been "excused" for your absence. Projects are due on the assigned due date or the day you return from an absence.

***REMEMBER*:** It is your responsibility to makeup tests and assignments and without me reminding you. You must schedule a time with me to take make up tests.

**LATE -WORK POLICY**

* Daily classwork assignments - No credit given without **excused** absence.
* Projects and all other assig­nments will be accepted late only with an excused absence.

**SUPPLIES**

* **Graph paper (optional)**
* **Lined paper.**
* **Something to write with.**
* **Folder or your choice to keep up with daily assignments or paper handouts.**
* **Digital device (chromebook)**

**RULES/POLICIES**

* Be in your seat and ready to work when the tardy bell rings.
* Bring your supplies to class every day.
* No personal grooming in class.
* No drinking, eating or chewing gum in the classroom.
* No cell phones, or earbuds
* Show respect to everyone and everything!
* No CHEATING.
* Daily attendance for ALL STUDENTS, Virtual Students must spend time in class EVERY Scheduled Day (cardinal or white depending)

**DISCIPLINE POLICY FOR RULE VIOLATION (School district policy)**

***1st offense:*** verbal warning

***2nd offense:*** A teacher initiated parent notification of the problem

***3rd offense:*** Parent/Administrator/Teacher conference

***4th offense:***  Office referral