2023-2024

Mrs. Blythe Smith's Science Class

Welcome to 7th grade science. This class will move at a fast pace and will require rare homework consisting mostly of the completion of unfinished classwork. I am looking forward to a great year of growth and learning this 2023-2024 school year. Please read and sign the syllabus acknowledgement form as well as the Lab Safety contract by Friday, August 11, 2023. Failing to turn in the lab safety contract will exclude you from participating in labs until the sheet is returned. I can be reached by phone and email: 334-365-6697 or blythe.smith@acboe.net. My availability for conferences is 12:35-2:00.

Classroom and Lab Supplies

For classroom use, your student will need the following supplies:

- 2 composition notebooks (not spiral)
- 4 Post-It notes
- 1 pack Pencils
- 1 pack Ink pens
- 2 packs Index cards (lined)
- ✤ 4 rolls tape
- 2 glue sticks

Consumables (post it notes, pencils, index cards, tape, etc) will need to be replenished as needed.

For our classroom and lab, we are asking for the following supplies:

- 1 bottle hand sanitizer
- 2 reams copy paper
- 1 roll paper towels
- 1 bottle of Clorox/Lysol wipes
- 1 box kleenex
- Lab Donation of \$5-\$25 to purchase project and lab supplies

Procedures & Discipline

Classroom rules and procedures are in place to ensure that the teacher can safely educate students and students are able to learn in a safe and orderly environment. Failure to follow the rules and procedures in place will result in consequences of that choice.

- Students will enter the classroom, sit in their assigned seat and immediately begin bell-ringer work. If the student is not in their assigned seat and working on the bell ringer they will be counted tardy. You may not enter my classroom, sit bookbags down and then leave the classroom.
- All pencils will be sharpened by the student BEFORE the tardy bell rings.
- Students should go to lockers and use the restroom during CLASS CHANGES. Students will not be allowed to return to lockers and will only be allowed to use the restroom if it is an emergency. Should your student have bathroom emergencies often, the nurse and parents will be notified of the possible issue.

- Notebooks are to be kept in order. A table of contents must be included in the front with the name, date, and page number of the assignment.
- Students will be able to participate in labs throughout the year, but if they do not follow lab safety procedures, they will be removed from the lab and do seated work quietly.

Rules	<u>Consequences</u>
 Students will be in their seats with materials ready when the bell rings. Students will not disrupt the learning environment. Students will remain seated during active teaching/learning. Students will be respectful in their speech and actions. Students must follow dress code, internet usage and cell phone policies outlined in the BOE and PJHS Codes of Conduct. 	1^{st} – verbal warning 2^{nd} - break detention 3^{rd} – parent contact 4^{th} – office referral

Grading Policy

- Students are responsible for completing and turning in all assignments on their due date.
- Grades are calculated using a total point scale following district grading policies.
- Homework, classwork, and bell-ringer work will not be worth the same amount of points as tests, quizzes or labs. (35% Classwork 65% Assessments as per district policy)
- All printed work and notes are kept in the student's composition notebook.
- ANY AND ALL CHEATING WILL RESULT IN A ZERO.

Make-up Work (from ACBOE Code of Conduct)

- Make-up Work (Excused Absences)
 - □ If a student is absent for any excused reason as defined above, the student shall be allowed to make up schoolwork and/or examinations missed during said absence or absences. In my classroom, there will be a crate with daily folders that have handouts. Also, all work will be available on Schoology.
 - □ For sixth through twelfth grade students, the student shall be responsible for contacting the teacher or teachers immediately upon return to school to arrange a reasonable length of time, not to exceed one (1) week, to make up work and/or examinations.
 - □ Teachers shall not be required to re-teach lessons, but students shall be given reasonable opportunity to learn lessons missed due to excused absences.
- Make-Up Work (Unexcused Absences)
 - $\hfill\square$ Teachers are not obligated to reteach lessons for unexcused absences.
 - □ Teachers are not obligated to provide make-up work for unexcused absences.
 - □ Students may receive a zero on missed assignments for unexcused absences.

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Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

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