

Sharyland ISD
Sharyland Pioneer High School
SCIENCE DEPARTMENT
Biology

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Conference period: 1st block 8:07 – 9:37 am

Course Name: BIOLOGY HONORS, BIOLOGY CP

Catalog Course Description:

The first semester of this class emphasizes biochemistry, cell structure and function, cellular transport and the cell cycle, DNA and genes, and the basics of genetics and inheritance patterns. The second semester emphasizes the principles of evolution, ecology, classification of plants and animals, viruses and bacteria, body systems, and the dissection of the fetal pig.

Expectations of Biology Honors/Biology CP Students:

1. It is expected that you strive to do your very best in all activities in this class. “Strive for perfection!”
2. It is expected that you attend class regularly because “when you miss school, you miss out!” School sponsored events are not counted as absences.
3. It is expected that you follow the classroom rules as well as those established as school policy.
4. It is expected that all instructions given for an assignment are followed precisely.
5. It is expected that you follow the school policy for make-up work when you have been absent. It is your responsibility to ensure that you get the assignments you missed, not the teacher’s! ***A zero will be put in when grades are recorded until assignment or test is completed as per district policy.**

Classroom Rules:

1. Please stay seated. Attendance will be taken within the first 10 minutes of class.
2. Bring all appropriate materials to class,
3. Use of cell phone is **prohibited in class** unless instructed by teacher. Your cell phone will be confiscated otherwise. **Cell phones will be picked up before quizzes and tests.**
4. No personal grooming during class time.
5. Stay focused and attentive throughout the presentation.
6. No foul language, teasing or yelling in the classroom or online. Be respectful of your teacher and all classmates.
7. Restroom passes will be issued every 9 weeks. **You may only go to restroom with this pass.** You are not allowed to use another student’s pass.

Textbook: Biology: Houghton, Mifflin, and Harcourt. **The entire textbook is accessible online at my.hrw.com.** Teacher will issue you a password.

Materials when you return to campus:

1. Folder with pockets and brads (any color)
2. Notebook paper or spiral notebook
3. **Blue or black ink pen (for all assignments)**
4. Pencils
5. **Color pencils**
6. Ear buds
7. **Composition book for all notes (needed immediately at start of school)**
8. **Small scissors**
9. **Liquid glue**
10. Tissue Box

Grade Distribution

60% Major Assignments (Tests, projects/presentations)

40% Minor Assignments (Daily classwork, homework, quizzes, lab work, notebook check)

***For more information refer to district website on grading policy.**

I HEREBY AGREE THAT I HAVE READ THE ABOVE INFORMATION AND ARE AWARE OF THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH BY THE BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE

PARENT'S SIGNATURE