

Mrs. Ruminski ~ 6th Grade Science
SCIENCE CLASS EXPECTATIONS AND INFORMATION

1) Materials for Class:

◆ For science class this year, EVERY time you enter the room you will need to have 3 things:

- 1) writing utensil
- 2) your binder
- 3) your iPad (charged)

2) Arrival to Class:

◆ When you arrive to science class, remember the following:

- 1) be on time
- 2) please use the bathroom, etc. BEFORE class (if possible)
- 3) make sure to have your materials
- 4) begin your "DO NOW"

3) Homework:

◆ Homework is written on the board each day and students should record it in their iPad at the beginning of class. Assignments are a part of your grade and must be turned in on time for full credit. If more than 2 are late, a call or email will be made home. Homework serves 3 purposes: (1) to review something that has been done in class, (2) to extend something that has been done in class, (3) to prepare for a future class. You will show your HW to the teacher and YOU will check it off on a clipboard in class.

4) If you are Absent:

◆ If you are absent or miss a class, it is your responsibility to go to your teachers and see what work needs to be made up.

5) Assessments:

◆ Assessments (tests, quizzes, etc) will be given during and at the end of each unit we do. They come in many forms (written, oral, self-eval, peer-eval., homeworks) – some count for a grade and some don't – some will be paper/pencil and others will be digital.

6) Extra Help/ Study Sessions:

◆ Extra help is available immediately after school or in the mornings. Days and times are posted each week on the HW board and on my website. Study sessions will be offered on the before learning checks. ALL students are encouraged to stay when they have questions, find concepts confusing, or just want to be sure they are on the right track with studying.

7) Projects/Labs:

◆ Science is ALL about hands on learning. So, we will have many opportunities to create projects and work on labs, both individually and in small groups. You will earn a safety license in order to demonstrate you are willing and able to conduct science appropriately.

8) Grades:

◆ In science this year, you will not receive letter grades; instead, we assess each area of study separately (instead of putting it all together in an average). We will explain more about our Standards Based Grading System in the days to come!

9) Classroom Behavior:

◆ The underlying rule for the classroom is respect:
(1) for the classroom and materials
(2) for yourself and your peers
(3) for your teachers.

10) iPad:

◆ The iPad is an educational tool, which we will use to create new and exciting learning experiences this year! It is your responsibility to be sure you bring it to class, and to know, understand, and follow the guidelines for appropriate use of iPads in school. It is an instrument of learning and will be utilized for educational purposes only. Ask a teacher if you have questions about what you are allowed to do. And make sure you **charge it every night at home** because we do not charge them in school.