

Students are exposed to scientific concepts including:

Strand 1—Structure & Motion within the Solar System

Strand 2—Energy & Matter

Strand 3—Weather Patterns

Strand 4—Ecosystems

Coursework & Homework

Most tasks are easily completed in class. Because of this, students are expected to study their Science Textbook or other science materials twice a week. Study Minutes will be tracked and must be signed by a parent/guardian for credit.

Quizzes will be given almost weekly as a formative assessment and will also help determine student grouping. ***However, quizzes and tests are generally allowed only one re-take and must be scheduled with me before school, after school, or possibly during study skills.***

Assignments may be redone for more credit as many times as a student wishes, but it is the students' responsibility to get the worksheet from the tote trays, or print it off the classroom website/PowerSchool.

Materials

**** If a student neglects to bring these materials daily, they will forfeit points on their effort grade.**

REQUIRED MATERIALS

School binder (provided by school)

Science Textbook

(one provided by me for free; if lost, students can purchase one for \$4)

Pen(s) & pencil(s)

Reading book of your choice

SUGGESTED MATERIALS-the following are not required, but are used frequently and communally among all students. Students who provide their own do not need to share with peers.

*****Scissors, Glue Stick, Colored Pencils/Markers*****

Rules & Expectations

Respect peers, teacher, yourself, materials, and all other faculty and staff members

Arrive to class on time, prepared, and willing to learn

Be in your seat and begin immediately working on bellwork

Follow directions carefully and maintain a positive attitude

Remember the bell and clock do not excuse you, I excuse you

Late Work

Late work—due to excused absences—can be accepted for full credit if turned in within the assigned amount of time (two school days for every one day absent). Late work—due to negligence—is still accepted, but will result in a loss of points.

Extra Credit

Extra Credit will be kept to a minimum. If it occurs, it will coincide with previously assigned work or appear occasionally on the classroom website. No additional “because-I-need-an-A-or-passing-grade” projects will be offered.

Staying Connected-digital world!

We use the PowerSchool program for recording grades; I would recommend checking this frequently as all teachers will use this method for grade reporting.

A website is maintained for this class which has links for important sites, class documents/worksheets, and a place where upcoming assignments and events are posted. Parents and students are strongly encouraged to check it frequently. You may even want to add it to your Internet bookmarks or favorites list:

<https://www.mrmoodysclass.com/science>

As opportunities occur, pictures and video clips of classroom activities and experiments are also posted on the website. ***Please understand that students' names will NEVER appear on the website.***

You may also contact me by e-mail if there are any questions or concerns:

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Academic Grading

The purpose of the academic grade is to report the level of proficient learning in relation to the curricular objectives. This grade is based on assignments/ projects/labs, tests, and quizzes.

Grade Scale

A = 100%-93% B = 86%-83% C = 76%-73%

A- = 92%-90% B- = 82%-80% C- = 72%-70%

B+ = 89%-87% C+ = 79%-77% I = 69%-0%

A=Substantial Mastery

B=Proficiency

C=Basic Proficiency

I=Standard Not Yet Met

E-Star Rating

The star rating reflects the behavior and responsibility students demonstrate in class, as well as participatory assignments. This includes: punctuality, attendance, participation in class and labs, progress reports, etc.

*****=Consistently **exceeds** expectations

****=Consistently meets expectations

***=Sometimes meets expectations

**=Inconsistently meets expectations

*=Does not meet expectations

Parent/Guardian's

Please use the link below to sign acknowledgement of this disclosure

[Signature Link](#)