

Science 8
2023-2024
Syllabus and Expectations
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Dear Student and Parent(s),

Welcome to 8th grade science. I am looking forward to a great year. Below you will find information on the expectations of our classroom, as well as the different interesting topics we will study this year in Earth Science. Please be sure to keep this syllabus at home as a reference throughout the year.

Our classroom follows the policies outlined in the Middle School handbook. This syllabus is **in addition to the handbook and a bit more specific to my own expectations.*

The Basics

- Be **prepared** for learning.

- ✓ Positive attitude

“Choosing to be positive and having a grateful attitude is going to determine how you’re going to live your life.”

~Joel Osteen

- ✓ Come to class with your supplies everyday!

“By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.”

~Benjamin Franklin

- Take **pride** in what you do.

- ✓ Assignments must be turned in **on time**.

-Late work will not be accepted.

- ✓ Assignments must be *legible* and of 8th grade caliber.

- ✓ Accept your best and nothing less.

**It is my expectation that in 8th grade we are writing in complete and grammatically correct sentences.*

**Any assignments not meeting the expectations will be given back and you will have the opportunity to try again.*

- Weber’s Golden Rule:

- ✓ “Be kinder than necessary.”

~Mrs. Weber 😊

In order for us to have a safe, supportive, and fun learning environment it is essential that certain expectations are in place and followed.

Daily Expectations

- Beginning of class:
 - You are expected to be in your seat ready to work *when the bell rings*.
 - ✓ Chromebook charged and ready to go
 - ✓ Pencil(s) out and sharpened
 - ✓ All necessary materials are in class with you
 - ✓ Start working on the daily warm-up

- General Class “Rules”:
 - ✓ The only electronic device allowed in class is your chromebook.
 - Chromebooks are used for classwork only (no gaming during class!).*
 - ✓ You have a limited number of restroom passes per week for **all** classes.
 - Use your passing time wisely!*
 - When necessary, restroom passes can be used after the first 10 minutes of class and before the last ten minutes of class.*
 - ✓ Participate!
 - While in class, you are expected to participate in the assigned work/activity.*

- Use Common Sense Manners:
 - ✓ When anyone is speaking in class, we are listening.
 - Stay in your seat while someone is speaking.*
 - Raise your hand and wait to be called on to contribute to the discussion.*
 - Be quiet when others are speaking.*
 - ✓ Be a good human
 - We are not all the same, and that’s great! Regardless of your feelings about someone, we will treat every single person in our class with respect and kindness. Non-negotiable.*

Discipline

Life is a learning adventure. We all make mistakes. That’s how we grow. With that said, when a good choice is not made there will be a consistent path that we will follow to correct the mistake.

1. Quick verbal redirection
 2. One-on-one chat to discuss what’s going on
 3. Logical consequence (seat change, loss of privilege, parent contact, etc)
- *Repeated infractions and/or severe behavior problems will result in a referral to administration.**

Grades

Your overall grade in 8th grade science will be on a point basis and will be determined by your classwork, homework, and assessments.

Homework

It is my expectation that while students are in class, they work hard. As long as this expectation is met, homework will be minimal.

Absences

When students are absent, it is their responsibility to get any work that was missed.

-Absent work will be placed in our absent work folders.

-If you know of an upcoming absence, please let me know ahead of time!

Earth Science Curriculum

We will continue using our district approved *Amplify Science* curriculum this year. The following list is a sample of what we will be studying:

- Geology on Mars vs. Earth
- Rock Transformations
- Plate Motion
- Earth, Moon, and Sun
- Earth's Oceans, Atmosphere, and Climate
- Weather Patterns

Contacting Mrs. Weber

Email will always be the best way to get in contact with me.

Again, I look forward to an exciting year with you!

Sincerely,

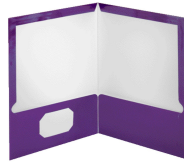
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Supplies for 8th Grade Science

Mrs. Weber 2023-2024



Individual

- 2 pocket folder
- 1 subject notebook
- Pencils

Donations for Classroom

- Kleenex (need lots!)
- Clorox Wipes (need lots!)
- Hand Soap



PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS SHEET ONLY!

I, _____, have read and I understand the Science 8 Syllabus and
Student's name
Expectations information.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

I, parent/guardian of _____, have read and I understand the
Science 8 Syllabus and Expectations information.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Phone#: _____



Movie Permission Slip

At various times throughout the year, we may be watching movies, either to supplement the curriculum or as a reward for positive behavior. Parental permission is needed to allow your student to watch movies of PG-13 nature (language and crude humor).

Yes, I give my child permission to view PG13 videos in class

No, I DO NOT give my child permission to view PG13 videos in class

Student Name (please print): _____

Parent Name (please print): _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please see the other side of this sheet!

Please include any information you feel I should know about your child.

