

8th Grade Science
Coach Bosker D102

What is Science?

Science, as defined by the National Academy of Sciences, is the "use of evidence to construct testable explanations and predictions of natural phenomena, as well as the knowledge generated through this process." This vast body of changing and increasing knowledge is described by physical, mathematical, and conceptual models. Students should know that some questions are outside the realm of science because they deal with phenomena that are not scientifically testable.

What is expected of the student?

The student is expected to:

Be prepared for class each day.

Complete all assignments when assigned.

Turn in all assignments and projects on time.

Study for all tests and quizzes.

Complete assignments **without help from others** unless the directions say otherwise.

Keep an organized, complete Science Journal/Notebook(folder). 8.4A

Units of Study:

1. Organisms and Environment
2. Interactions of Earth, Ocean, and Weather Systems
3. Geological Evidence
4. Earth, Moon, and Sun Relationships
5. Chemistry
6. Forces and Motion
7. Space

Grading Scale:

Minor – 50% of grade

Major – 50% of grade

Missing/Late Assignments:

All homework is due the beginning of the next class period unless instructed otherwise. If the student does not have their homework at the beginning of class on the day it is due, the assignment will be considered late. **If the assignment is turned in 1 day late, the maximum grade will be a 70. If the assignment is turned in 2 days late, the maximum grade will be a 50. After the 2 days, the grade will be a 0.**

Test Correction:

Any major grade assignment/test below a 70 may be corrected and must be returned the **following class period and signed by a parent**. The proper procedures for correcting a test will be on Canvas.

Absent Work:

Make-up work is available for students upon return from an absence. It is the **STUDENT'S** responsibility to get any make-up work. Work will be available on Canvas as well as in the Missed Work box in the class room.

Tutoring:

Tutoring is available during advisory and by appointment. Please contact Coach Bosker.

Teacher Communication:

You will find information about each days work, extra copies of assignments and resources on the class Canvas page.

Teacher Information:

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If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank You,

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