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2021-2022 Course Syllabus Biology

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What we will cover:

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
1. Lab Skills/Safety and Science Engineering Processes 2. Macromolecules 3. The Cell and Organelles 4. Cellular Transport	1. Cellular Energy 2. The Cell Cycle & Mitosis 3. Meiosis 4. Mendelian Genetics 5. Applied Genetics	1. DNA/RNA/Protein Synthesis 2. Gene Technology 3. History of Life and Evolution 4. Ecology	Review for STATE TEST Frog and Dissection Plants Food and Nutrition

*Textbooks are available to check out upon request.

MATERIALS

You will need:

- 1.5-inch 3-ring binder or larger binder with a divider designated for biology
- pen (blue/black ink) or pencil
- highlighter
- colored pencils (12 pack)
- scissors
- 3 pack of glue sticks
- Earbuds that can connect to the school-issued laptop.

DUE TO COVID-19 PROTOCOL, THE TEACHER CAN NO LONGER SUPPLY A CLASSROOM SET OF SUPPLIES. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR OWN SUPPLIES EACH DAY!

Keeping your notebook and assignments in order are essential to your success in this class. **Bring your materials to class everyday (notes, supplies, school-issued charged laptop)!**

TESTS AND GRADING

A=100—90 B=89—80 C=79—70 D=69—65 F= below 65 I=incomplete

Grading follows the policies of Biloxi Public School District. A mid-term progress report is issued each term.

Students are notified at least two days before testing. The test date will be repeated daily and written on the board. Students **absent** on the test day must take the test **within 10 days of returning to school.**

Major Tests and Projects: 55%

Daily Grades: 35%

Term Tests: 10%

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Retesting

You will be given the opportunity to retest for one test per term within 10 days of receiving your graded test. Before you can retest, you must meet the following requirements:

1. All prior assignments for the subject content must be completed, guided notes must be filled out, and **EFFORT MUST BE SHOWN ON A DAILY BASIS**.
2. Review assignment of the test content must be completed.
3. Attend a reteach session. (This will be held virtually after school on Tuesdays or Thursdays. The date will be determined by me.)
4. The retest will be the same content of the original test, but may be formatted differently.
5. The higher of the two scores will be recorded.

LATE/MISSED WORK

Late Work

Students are responsible to turn in assignments on time. Assignments are considered late when turned in after your class period has ended. All completed late assignments will be counted as a **65** for 5 days. **Late work will not be accepted after the 5th day.** Time will be given in class to complete assignments. Any assignments not completed in class before the due dates are to be completed as homework.

To turn in late work, please take a picture of the assignment and upload it to Google Classroom.

Missed Assignments

Check Google Classroom for all assignments. Even if it is a paper assignment, it will be uploaded in Google Classroom. In accord with the Biloxi Public Schools Handbook, you have 2 days to turn in an assignment after you have been absent. Work turned in after 2 days will follow the late work procedure.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM CODES

2ND PERIOD BIOLOGY-- 75cgvfd

4TH PERIOD BIOLOGY-- ti5rfij

7TH PERIOD BIOLOGY-- 2oyaykv

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ACADEMIC HONESTY

Academic honesty is also necessary for your success in this class. If you are honest with your assignments (not cheating) and ask for help when you need it, you will achieve higher grades and greater understanding.

Cheating

Cheating will result in either a zero for the assignment or a discipline referral, and a parent contact for **ALL** parties involved. If the student is allowed to make up the assignment, the same material will be covered, but the format of the assignment may be changed (see retesting guidelines).

Cheating includes the following:

- Falsification of documents (changing the name on someone's else's paper to your own etc...)
- Disclosure of test or other assignment content to another student (**Letting others copy your work is CHEATING!**)
- Submission of the same paper or other assignment to more than one class without the explicit approval of all faculty members' involved
- Unauthorized academic collaboration with others on test or assignments
- Conspiracy to engage in academic misconduct

CONSEQUENCES

Detention

Per the School-Wide Classroom Discipline Plan, detention will be issued after a verbal or written warning and parent contact is made. Detentions will be held after school on Fridays with the duration being dependent on the offense and frequency of the offense.

Office Referrals

Office referrals will be given after two detentions are issued, the parent has been contacted, and the behavior persists. Office referrals may also be issued in the case of a severe disruption or negative behavior bypassing the previous consequences.

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LEAVING CLASS

Using the Restroom

Instructional time is limited and will be protected at all costs. In an effort to limit time out of class and loss of instruction, each student is issued (by the school) a "Student Sign Out Sheet" (which covers 2 months). This sheet will serve as their hall pass. Students are allotted no more than two (2) sign-outs per day. When they leave class, the teacher must sign their sheet and they must carry it with them. If a student loses their sheet, they may get a new one from the discipline clerk and they will be assigned an after school detention (by the school, not the teacher). If a student abuses restroom breaks (too often, taking too long, etc.), the parent will be contacted concerning the issue.

Leaving for other reasons

If an administrator, pupil accounting, or the front office calls a student out of class, they must be issued a district-printed pink hall pass filled out by the teacher prior to exiting the classroom.

Students must also complete the sign-out form in the front of the classroom prior to leaving for any reason.

IMPORTANT DATES

Term 1

Term 1 Progress Reports—September 3rd

Labor Day Holiday—September 6th

Term 1 Exams –October 6th and 7th

Fall Break—October 8th--11th

Term 2

Term 1 Report Cards--October 15th

Term 2 Progress Reports--November 10th

Thanksgiving Holiday--November 22nd-- 26th

Term 2 Exams--December 16th and 17th

Christmas Holidays-- December 20th--January 3rd

Term 3

Term 2 Report Cards--January 7th

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday--January 17th

Term 3 Progress Reports--February 4th

Mardi Gras Holiday--February 28th--March 3rd

Term 3 Exams--March 10th and 11th

Term 4

Term 3 Report Cards--March 18th

Term 4 Progress Reports--April 13th

Spring Break--April 18th--April 22nd

Graduation--May 24th

Term 4 Exams--May 24th and 25th