**WELCOME TO CHEMISTRY!**

Science is challenging, yet so rewarding and applicable. To be successful in Chemistry class this year, you will need to understand the following classroom rules/procedures, have the necessary materials, and come to class prepared. I will do my best to help you succeed in this class, but in return I expect you to try your best and not give up.

**CLASSROOM GUIDELINES AND STUDENT EXPECTATIONS**

1. Students are expected to come to class on time and fully prepared for the lesson. Students are, therefore, responsible for purchasing and bringing **pencils, pens, lined paper, a notebook, binder/Portfolio and scientific calculator**.
2. Students who need to leave the classroom to get their materials will be considered tardy.
3. Students must have an up-to-date computer log-in so they are prepared for computer work.
4. Students must use a hallway pass to leave the room. No passes will be issued the first or last 10 minutes of class.
5. Wandering in the halls or standing in the doorways will not be tolerated.
6. Students will show respect to each other and the teacher.
7. Teachers will not tolerate a student whose behavior prevents the teacher from giving instruction or that keeps other students from learning.
8. Students are expected to **keep all electronics away** where they cannot be seen nor used unless otherwise instructed. If there is an issue with this either the teacher or the office will hold on to it for the remainder of the class period or the remainder of the day. (See student handbook)
9. Students will be given assigned seats and will be expected to sit in those seats unless given permission to do otherwise.
10. Moodle: Students will be expected to log on to the class moodle website in order to help them stay on track with the course.
11. **Cheating**: copying another person’s paper will result in a zero for that assignment for both the copier and the person who allowed it. Plagiarism is a serious offense resulting in a zero on that given assignment.

**ATTENDANCE**

1. Being tardy means that you were NOT IN THE ROOM by the time the bell rings for the start of class. It is your responsibility to be on time … even if the bells are not working.

2. You must be prepared for class (sitting quietly with pen, pencil and notebook) once the bell rings, pens/pencils/paper are not provided.

3. Tardies and Absences are dealt with according to the student handbook.

4. IF YOU ARE ABSENT you have the same number of days to make up work as the number of days you were absent. For example, if you are absent 2 days, you have two days after you come back to class to make up that work. Please COMMUNICATE any special needs!

5. Unexcused absences may result in you receiving no credit (“N”) for any and all assignments due during your absence. (See student handbook)

**HOMEWORK / CLASSWORK**

1. Classwork and homework is meant to help aid in practice and better understanding of the

content, and it is your job as a student to attempt your best effort and get help from the teacher when necessary.

1. Homework checks will occur most Fridays. These will be quizzes that require the knowledge obtained from completing the week’s homework, and you will be allowed to use the homework and notes on the homework checks, so it is beneficial to complete and correct homework throughout the week.

3. **If you have an EXCUSED absence, you may be able to make up the work you missed the day you were absent. You are responsible for finding out what you missed, completing the assignment, and turning it in ASAP. Any absent work not turned in within a reasonable time frame will not receive any credit.**

3. I do NOT typically offer extra credit. (Please do NOT ask me for extra credit). If you complete the assigned work, on time, there is no need for extra credit.

**GRADE DETERMINATION**

(1) Students will be graded as follows during the course 🡪 (1) 80% of the final grade is based on coursework, and (2) 20% of the final grade is based on a cumulative final assessment that includes a final exam and a final portfolio assessment. A breakdown of the grading is shown below:

45% Major Assessments: Quizzes, Exams, Projects, Presentations, Research papers,etc

25% Lab Assessments: Formal Lab Reports, worksheets, activities, etc.

10% Classwork/Homework: Homework checks, assignments, participation

20% Final Assessment: Cumulative Exam & Final Portfolio

100% Semester grade

* + - * The computer calculates a weighted grade as indicated above.
* Students will have the option to retake quizzes and tests (not the final). You must submit your quiz/test retake form to me and we will set up a day and time for you to complete the retake. You will only have the option for retakes up to one week after the quiz/test has been graded.

(2) Final exams in all classes will be cumulative, covering material from the entire course.

**There will be two parts to the final assessment:**

1. **Written, cumulative exam**
2. **Student Portfolio**

* Students must have a minimum of 80% of the required work in their portfolio.

\*The Portfolio may be used as a reference for the final exam, so it is to the student’s benefit to keep an orderly portfolio with completed and corrected assignments in it.

***By signing below, you are stating that you understand the Chemistry grading procedures, rules and student expectations. If you have any concerns, whatsoever, please either call the school or write a note and the teacher will address them in a timely fashion.***

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**PARENT EMAIL** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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