Honors Biology

2022-23 Syllabus



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Welcome to CCHS Honors Biology! I am glad you are here and excited to share this fast-paced, deep dive science adventure with you.

Course Description

Biology is the study of life - in all its forms. The organization and vital processes necessary to support life will be examined. That means we will be thinking about cells, tissues, organs, systems, genetics, reproduction, photosynthesis, respiration, and more.

As an honors class, we will integrate reading, writing, and critical thinking regularly. Classroom discussions will also be important, as we work together to understand biological concepts. A series of projects will be required. These projects will give you an opportunity to apply what you are learning to the "real-world."

Lab or other hands-on activities will be used as often as possible. Expectations for classroom behavior and for safely handling materials must be met in order for students to participate in these activities.

Required Materials**

- Composition Book or Other Notebook
- Folder with pockets (3-prong would be helpful)
- Loose Paper
- Pencil and pens
- Colored pencils and personal pencil sharpener
- Highlighters
- Glue
- Scissors

** More supplies may be needed later, but this should get us off to a good start.

Classroom Community

It is very important that we work together to create a supportive and productive classroom community. We will craft class rules together and follow those rules to promote kindness and achievement.

If, at any point in the semester, you need additional assistance with environmental science content or assignments, let me know as soon as possible. I can stay after school on certain days to answer any questions, as needed. I want to help you succeed!

General Procedures

- Arrive on time and be prepared. Charged Chromebooks, notebooks, and other supplies must be brought to class daily.
- There will be daily bell ringers. Begin work on these as soon as you enter the classroom.
- All assignments will be turned in to the box designated for your specific class block.
- Assignments turned in without a student's name will have 5 points deduced from the grade.
- Notebooks are graded at least once per unit of study.
- Remain seated until your teacher dismisses you.
- Use the restroom between classes.
- Sign up for and use Remind.
- No individual extra credit opportunities will be given.

Grading Scale

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A = 90-100	D = 60-69
B = 80-89	F = 0-59
C = 70-79	

ASPEN

Grades will be posted in ASPEN. Please check your ASPEN grades regularly to make sure you have no missing assignments. New grades will be entered into ASPEN once per week.

Late Assignments

All assignments are due at the beginning of class, unless otherwise stated. Late work is to be turned in to the designated class box. Late work will have points deducted based on the number of days overdue.

Make-up Assignments

When you are absent, you have 3 days from the day you return to complete and turn in assignments - provided your absence is excused. However, if an assignment was due the day you were absent, then it is due the day you return. Make-up work will receive full credit, unless turned in late.

Please complete this sheet and return it to Ms. Rebekah.

Printed Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Info:

Name	Relation	Phone	Email

The signatures below indicate that **we have read Ms. Rebekah's Honors Biology** Syllabus. We understand the expectations for this class and agree to ensure those expectations are met.

Student signature:

Date:	

Parent/Guardian Signature:

_____ Date: _____