Cocke County High School Agriscience Syllabus

Instructor/Contact Information:

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Course Information:

Prerequisites: N/A

Required Material: Spiral Notebook, writing utensil, and computers

Course Description:

Agriscience is an introductory laboratory science course that prepares students for biology, subsequent science and agriculture courses, and postsecondary study. This course helps students understand the important role that agricultural science and technology plays in the twenty-first century. In addition, it serves as the first course for all programs of study in the Agriculture, Food, & Natural Resources cluster. Upon completion of this course, proficient students will be prepared for success in more advanced agriculture and science coursework. This course counts as a lab science credit toward graduation requirements.

Google Classroom: Students will be able to access all course work through google classroom.

Parental Access to Instructional Materials:

- Aspen Parent portal
- Email Instructor
- Parent Teacher Conference
 - o There are two designated conference dates during the school year. Parents who would like to request additional meetings may make appointments for conferences with the teachers (during their planning periods), counselors, or a principal by telephoning the school office.

Viewing Grades:

Points you receive for graded activities will be posted to the ASPEN grade Book. Click on the My Grades link on the left navigation to view your points. Your instructor will update the online grades each time a grading session has been completed – typically 14 days following the completion of any activity. You will see a visual indication of new grades posted on your ASPEN home page under the link to this course.



Course Policies:

Late Work: Be sure to pay close attention to deadlines—there will be no make-up assignments or quizzes, or late work accepted without a serious and compelling reason and instructor approval. Any approved make-up work must be done outside of regular class time and completed in a timely manner. Sufficient notice must be given to the instructor to prepare make-up work. It is the sole responsibility of the student to get approval for and arrange make-up work.

Field Trips: Any scheduled field trip will have a definite educational purpose and will reflect careful planning. Signed permission forms will be obtained when an off campus trip is planned.

Grading Scale: A: 90-100, B: 80-89, C: 70-79, D: 60-69, F: <59

Hands-On Opportunities: If you have below a "C" average in the class, you will not be allowed to participate in hands-on labs until your grade changes. You will have a paper assignment in place of the lab grade.

Tentative Schedule:

Week 1: General Safety/ Intro to FFA & Agriculture Education

Week 2: Agriscience Investigation

Week 3: Intro to Agriculture & Society

Week 4: Intro to Soil Science

Week 5: Intro to Soil Science

Week 6: Intro to Plant Science

Week 7: Intro to Plant Science

Week 8: Intro to Animal Science

Week 9: Intro to Animal Science

Week 10: Intro to Forestry and Wildlife

Week 11: Intro to Forestry and Wildlife

Week 12: Intro to Forestry and Wildlife

Week 13: Intro to Agriculture Mechanics

Week 14: Intro to Agriculture Mechanics

Week 15: Intro to Food Science

Week 16: Intro to Agribusiness

Week 17: Intro/Planning to SAE's

Week 18: Review

(This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather, school activities, etc.)