

Welcome to Mrs. Siminerio's 8th Grade Science Class

This year will be full of many new and exciting opportunities to learn Science. We will be performing laboratory experiments, conducting some research, and working together as scientists often do everyday. I look forward to getting to know all of you over the following months and hope you enjoy science as much as I do!



To help us become more responsible students, I have put together the following outline of some basic expectations for this school year. **Please read through the following with a parent/guardian and sign it to show that you understand what is expected of you this year. Bring it to class FRIDAY and get full credit for your first homework assignment!** After its been signed and checked by me, keep it in the front of your science binder to refer back to throughout the year.

Here's to a good year,
Mrs. Siminerio

EIGHTH GRADE SCIENCE RESPONSIBILITIES

SUPPLIES: Please bring the following to science class, **everyday!**

- Your school distributed AGENDA book
 - A 3 ring binder filled with loose-leaf paper and a section just for science (*may be shared with other classes*)
 - A pencil case that includes: 3 pens (1 black, 1 blue, 1 color of your choice), two #2 pencils, and at least one highlighter
 - This sheet as a reminder of what is expected of you
 - With permanent black marker, write your first and last name and homeroom number on the inside cover of your binder
- 1 Box of Tissues is greatly appreciated

Grading Policy:

Tests/Projects 35%
Quizzes 25%

Homework 15%
Labs/Classwork 25%

TESTS and Projects(35%): Tests will be announced.

- Review class and/or assignments will be assigned prior to the test to help you prepare.
- If you have any questions when reviewing or studying, come to extra help.
- If you are absent the day of a test, you will be expected to take the test **on the day you return to class**.



HOMEWORK(15%): Bring your AGENDA book EVERYDAY!

- Homework assignments must be completed and available to be checked at the beginning of class on the day they are due.
- Homework will only be accepted 1 day late for partial credit.
- Work missed due to any absence must be made up. You have one day to make up the HW for each day you were absent +1 extra day. It is the responsibility of the absent student to obtain and complete all missed assignments and submit it for grading.
- Homework assignments should be neatly written or typed.
- Some homework assignments may require electronic submission (Achieve 3000, Castle Learning, Google Classroom, etc).
- Homework, as well as other assignments being handed in must have the proper heading:

First and Last Name	Due Date
Siminerio- Class Period	Assignment Title
- Homework assignments may be collected and/or graded based on the following:
 - ✓+ Excellent effort, complete with little to no errors, handed in on time. (100%)
 - ✓ Good effort, complete with few errors, handed in on time. (85%)
 - ✓- Poor effort, incomplete/many errors, **handed in late**. (60%)
 - 0 No effort, did not hand in assignment or make up in a timely manner, illegible. (0%)
- Student are required to write their HW assignments in their Agenda books during class

QUIZZES(25%): Quizzes will be both announced and unannounced and will be based on current curriculum of study or homework assignments.

LABS and Classwork(25%): Labs and Class Activities will be completed **in class** to introduce or reinforce scientific concepts.

- Any lab that is not submitted on its due date will receive a 5 point deduction for each day it is late.
- Any labs that were missed due to an absence and that require materials provided by the teacher **must be made up during Extra Help**.

Extra Help:

- Extra Help will usually be held Tuesday afternoons and Wednesday mornings in **room 225**.
- Please check my website for information on upcoming assignments.

I have read and understand the 8th Grade Science Responsibilities. I will direct any questions or concerns to Mrs. Siminerio by calling the Middle School office at (516) 644-4200 or via email: gsiminerio@bethpageagles.ws

Class Expectations Sheet Acknowledgement

Student's Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____