Welcome to Science! I am Mrs. Jessica Romito, and am excited to be your teacher this year! Please take **three minutes** to watch my WELCOME video to get to know me and learn a little about your course. I invite you to send me a greeting to introduce yourself and share something about you!

We're on the same team for YOUR success! If you want to meet with me this week or next, please Schedule an Appointment. This will allow us to connect more and allow me to help you get started in class.

Here's some helpful information to keep on hand during your course:

- ***Mrs. Romito's Links to Success Website* (please bookmark this link!)**
- 6-12 Science Resource Page - *This is a course-specific resource for all our science classes at LSS.*
- Need to talk directly? Call me! +1 610-241-1137 Text me! +1 301-485-9114
- Have a non-urgent or quick question? Email me! jromito@laurelsprings.com
- Need help during my office hours? Find me here in the **Science Classroom**.
    - My Office Hours: all times are Eastern | use this time zone converter
      Summer Schedule (6/17-8/23) 8am-10am

This will be a successful year, and I look forward to working with you!

Mrs. Romito



Note: Laurel Springs requires photo/video documentation from all students for hands-on labs. This is not optional. The photos/videos must be submitted with your lab assignments in order to earn credit. Please carefully review the Lab Completion Instructions in the course and let me know if you have any questions. If you are interested in learning more about this requirement, please watch this video.

I would LOVE to get to know you: please have yourself **and your adult support** complete this form.

I want to remind of things you want to be doing in our course:

1. Ensure you've scheduled a meeting for us to get to know each other and prep for the course
2. Watch the Preparing to take Human A&P video
3. Establish a working schedule to keep you on pace to complete your courses; find support materials on my website here

4. Check the course announcements in the Communications section of the LMS ***weekly*** (and review the past, evergreen announcements)

5. Access the guided notes from my website and place these in a folder (physical or electronic) organized by module (Part A, 1-3; Part B, 4-6)
6. Access the worksheets from the LMS while working through modules and place these in a folder (physical or electronic) organized by module (Part A, 1-3; Part B, 4-6)

You are just getting started in our course and realized some key points about our course might have been lost in the fog of getting started.



Key points that you might have missed:

- **Module 1 is the most rigorous module because**:
  - You are getting to know me and the course.
  - Give use both some grace and reach out with your questions and ask for support!
- Want to earn mastery on your first assignment submissions?
  - **Ask questions!**
    - jromito@laurelsprings.com
    - +1 301-485-9114 or +1 610-241-1137
    - Make an appointment
      Science Department classroom
  - **Use my website!** Mrs. Romito's Links to Success Class Website
    - What will you find on my website?
      - **Full lecture-style videos**: go over the modules from start to finish, including worksheet answers
      - **MINI-LESSONS**: videos that are 10 minutes or less reviewing the main points of the modules
      - **Assignment review videos**: it's like having me right there with you to explain assignment directions and expectations

    - **Assignment templates and Planning tools**: nicely formatted templates for you to write your answers to assignments, tips and hints to find the answers in the module, checklists (usage of *TEMPLATES and PLANNING TOOLS are key markers of students who earn mastery with first time submissions*)
    - **Support materials** for TurnItIn, Lab Documentation Requirements, time management, and citation tools
    - **TIPS & TRICKS**: my YouTube series of 2-3 minute videos to help you throughout our course and your time at Laurel Springs
- Don't skip over the Course Resources in the LMS
- Pay attention to TurnItIn and Lab Documentation Required assignments

As always, I am here for you: reach out to me for support, join me during office hours, call me, email me! If you would like to meet outside of my office hours, reach out to me with your dates, times, and time zone.

Don’t be a stranger!
Mrs. Romito

