

Biology

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Wade Hampton HS

WELCOME TO BIOLOGY!

I am excited to teach your class this semester!! I am a former Air Force Officer, and this is my 13th year teaching.

Come to class prepared!

- ☐ We start class when the bell rings
- ☐ Stay organized
- ☐ Have a positive attitude
- ☐ Participate!

Final Grade Calculation:

Q1 – 40%

Q2 – 40%

EOC exam – 20%

We will cover the following 6 units:

- Unit 1: Cells Cycle, Mitosis, Differentiation, Cancer
- Unit 2: Photosynthesis, Cell Respiration, Glucose as a backbone
- Unit 3: HIPPCO and Carbon Cycle
- Unit 4: DNA Structure
- Unit 5: Heredity
- Unit 6: Evolution

Google Classroom is the best resource for this class!!!!

Contact info:

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SUPPLIES

Students will need:

- Folder or 3-ring binder
- Notebook Paper
- Pencils

*Optional: These items should be kept in a zippered pouch (either with 3 holes punched in your binder, or a separate pencil pouch you carry with you):

- Gluestick
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Pen
- Set of colored pencils
- Highlighter (any color)
- Sharpie (dark color)
- Small pencil sharpener
- Dry erase marker and personal whiteboard (optional)

How do I find my assignments?

All students will get a paper copy of a 'packet' for each unit, they should keep this in their notebook. There are copies of this posted on my website organized by unit.

Use the google calendar to keep up with assignments! Check backpack every week to see what assignments you are missing.

Please contact me at any time!!! The most important thing is to stay connected and ask questions. Don't let yourself get frustrated. I am here to help!!!

Assignments, Notes, Packets, Study Guides, Practice Tests, Answer Keys are all found ON GOOGLE CLASSROOM!!

Classroom Procedures

Attendance

- Attendance will be taken every day. According to State Law, you are allowed 5 unexcused absences per class, per semester (parent notes are considered unexcused absences)

Entering the room

- Review the agenda on the white board at the front of the room and begin your Bell Ringer activity/Daily Quiz.
- Take out any homework from the previous day.
- Be seated **BEFORE** the bell rings.

After an Absence

- We will work together to get your caught up with work due.
- Check the gradebook and google classroom to see which assignments you are missing.

Moving Around the Room

- During lectures and discussions, always ask permission before leaving your seat.
- During cooperative work or activities, listen to instructions, then move quickly to your new seat.
- During labs, you should stay at your assigned station unless you are gathering materials.

Extra Credit

- I will be giving extra credit for completing the study guides for each test, and there will extra questions on the test.

Tardies/Bathroom/Out of Class Time

- You will get 3 'out of class' passes per quarter. The 4th and 5th will be freshman detention, and the 6th will be a referral.

Turning in Papers

- Turn in papers into the basket on Dr. Howell's front table
- Email me anytime and I will answer your questions as soon as possible.
- Some assignments will be turned in on google classroom

Tutorials or Reviews

- There will be a review for each test. One morning session and one afternoon session.
- If you'd like me to announce a group review session during any difficult units, just ask. You may not be the only one struggling.

Discussing Grades or Any Personal Issues

- Send me an email and we can schedule a time that is convenient for you

Packets

- You will be given a packet at the beginning of each unit. You must bring your agenda and your current packet to class with your every day we do in-person instruction!!

Referrals

- We have a lot of information to cover this semester, so come to class ready to work every single day! I will be using a 3 strike system, so you will get a referral for not following directions after the 3rd strike. Be in your seat and ready for class before the bell rings. Be on task and working the entire class.