

Regents Physics Syllabus



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2025-2026

Textbook

Physics: Principles and Problems. Glencoe McGraw Hill.

Content in order to be covered

Basic physics concepts/ math for physics

Mechanics

States of matter

Waves and light

Electricity and magnetism

Modern physics

Skills Expectations for Physics students:

- Be on time for class
- Bring all materials every day
- Record homework assignments in a planner/ calendar
- Complete assignments on time
- All work should follow total quality work guidelines
- Use your own words (no plagiarism)/ provide citations when necessary
- Be responsible for bringing work and messages home to parents
- Follow directions
- Stay on task until the bell
- No unsafe behavior/ follow all posted and school rules
- Have fun!

Required Materials (bring every day):

- Charged chromebook
- Binder or notebook
- Homework folder
- Physics reference tables
- Planner
- Pencil (required, pen is optional)
- Any work that is due
- Outside reading book
- Other materials signed out from the classroom (textbooks, etc.)

Grading procedures

Grades will be a weighted average consisting of each of the following categories:

Participation/ Bellwork/ Classwork/ Homework (25%)

Participation credit is based on your ability to follow all skills expectations, bringing all required materials and completion of in class activities/ group work. One participation grade will be entered in the book weekly.

Bellwork may include bellringer activities at the start of class and ticket out the door activities at the end of class.

Classwork assignments are designed to be completed and handed in during class and may include individual as well as group work. If a student is unable to complete a classwork assignment during the allotted class time, it may then become homework for that student.

Homework assignments are due at the start of class on the assigned due date. Late homework may receive a deduction in points. Homework not in by the five week mark/ ten week mark will result in a grade of zero.

If you receive an assignment and are absent on the due date, it is due upon your return, no exceptions. If you are absent the day it is assigned, you will be given a due date for the missed work by the teacher. It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to get missed work. Failure to see the teacher to get missed work promptly upon your return may result in a grade of zero.

The one lowest grade from this category for the quarter will be dropped.

Labs/ Projects (25%)

This includes lab activities, longer writing assignments and any larger projects we will complete this year.

Assignments are due at the start of class on the assigned due date. Late penalties are the same as for homework. Presentations must be given on the assigned day to avoid a significant reduction in points.

Assessments (50%)

This includes quizzes and tests as well as other announced assessments.

Google classroom

Specific updates will be available for students on the google classroom page for this class. I will help you get logged in to this for the first time. You will be expected to check this (as well as your school gmail) daily.

Parents/ guardians wishing to have guardian access to the google classroom may opt in on syllabus sign off sheet or by contacting me at any time. If you have opted in to this previously, you will likely already be signed up for it. **Please note that guardian access to google classroom will not provide you full access like your child has (unfortunately this is how google has it set up and is not something

I have the ability to change). In order to see everything your child is able to see, I encourage you to sit down with your child and have them log in with their credentials.

Overwhelmed by email notifications from google classroom? You don't have to receive all of them if you don't want to. Go into google classroom and on the main menu (three lines in upper left) choose "settings". In the settings, under notifications, you can turn off all or just specific types of notifications to reduce the number of emails you receive. A word of caution: If you turn off all notifications, you will need to actively log into your google classrooms to see any updates or assignments as they will no longer go to your email!

Google Calendar/ Planner

Students should keep track of their assignments in a central location, either in a hard copy planner or google calendar. Google calendar can be accessed at calendar.google.com as long as you are logged into your google account or from your 9 square. Some assignments from google classroom may automatically be added to your google calendar, however it is your responsibility to check and see if assignments are added! If they are not, you can add assignments yourself (I will go over how to do this).

Did you know that if you have a personal device (such as a cell phone) that you can add your school google account to it in order to be able to better keep track of your schoolwork when you are at home? Even if you already have your own google account, you can add a second account and can easily switch between the two. To do this, simply open one of your google apps (such as gmail), click on your icon in the upper right hand corner and choose "Add another account".

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