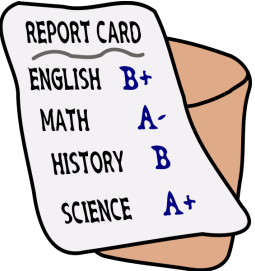


Welcome to 8th grade science! I am looking forward to an amazing year of learning!
This year we will explore life sciences, ecology and chemical reactions.
These are just a few of the exciting activities that we will engage in this year as we explore science in the world around us.

Projected Course Summary 2024-2025			
Quarter 1 Intro - Scientific Method/Lab Safety Unit 1 - Force and Motion	Quarter 2 Unit 2 - Waves Unit 3 - Earth	Quarter 3 Unit 4 - The Universe Unit 5 - Molecules and Organisms	Quarter 4 Unit 6 - Heredity Unit 7 - Natural Selection

Grading		
Use the Parent Portal to stay updated on grades. I post upcoming assignments, details about the assignment, and comments about students' grades in powerschool.		
High Category (60%) Tests and Projects	Middle Category (30%) Quizzes and Notebook Checks	Low Category (10%) Weekly Thinking Tasks

Test and Quiz Retakes: - As a department, the science team has decided to replace retakes with correction opportunities for up to half credit earned back. - After each assessment, students will be given the class period following that assessment to correct the questions they missed. Students will need to prove their knowledge in a reflective format to address the content missed on the assignment.	Late Work: - When assignments are not completed or turned in, a student will receive an "nhi" (not handed in) until the work is received. - If a student is missing work, he/she may be invited to a working lunch (LLC). - Late work will not be accepted after the quarter checkpoints (interim reports and report cards). 
Class Supplies - Composition Notebook - Notebook Paper - Pencils - Highlighters Charged Chromebook - Earbuds - Coloring Utensils 	 Grading Scale A – 100-90 B – 89-89 C – 79-70 D – 69-60 F – 59-0