



COURSE DESCRIPTION

Welcome to Animal Science! This course introduces students to the fundamental concepts of animal husbandry, including the needs and behaviors of various animals, basic safety and handling, grooming and understanding the dietary needs of the animals we care for, even trying our hands at growing what we feed them!

Students will conduct animal research, design and build safe enclosures, and ensure our area is clean and safe. They will also explore careers in the field of animal sciences, look at the role of animals in agriculture and society and interact with professionals in the industry during career talks and field trips.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

- a full water bottle
- safe footwear (okay to leave a pair here)
- a "can do it", helpful attitude

Optional Supplies:

- *personal work gloves (to leave in classroom)
- *backpacks are allowed, but not necessary

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COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students will demonstrate skills and knowledge related to the California CTE Animal Science Standards, including observing animal behavior, learning about physiology and reproduction, and ethics related to the field of animal agriculture. All students will contribute to the general care and maintenance of the farm and animals.



EXPECTATIONS

STUDENT

Be Prepared:

Arrive to class on time with necessary materials and complete assignments within the given completion window. Ask for help and support when you need it.

Participate Actively:

Engage in class discussions, practical activities, and group projects. Take initiative at all times. Keeping the area clean and safe is a group effort. See a need? Jump in and help!

Respect Animals and Peers:

Handle animals with care and show respect towards classmates and their ideas. Follow the rules outlined in the Safety Contract at all times.



TEACHER

Provide Clear Instruction:

Deliver engaging lessons that align with CTE/CA state standards and support student learning, inclusively. Lessons and directions will be posted on our class Schoology page.

Offer Support and Feedback:

Provide timely feedback on assignments and be available for additional help when needed, communicate effectively, responding to messages within 24-48 hours (Mon-Fri)

Maintain a Safe Learning Environment:

Ensure a safe, respectful, and supportive classroom atmosphere for students and animals, clearly communicating safety rules, expectations and consequences.



PARENTS

Support Learning and Responsibility

Encourage and assist your child in completing assignments and participating in class activities. Help your child understand the importance of responsibility and respect in handling animals, tools and equipment.

Communicate:

Stay informed about your student's progress via Schoology, overseeing messages to the teacher regarding assignments or questions about grades, which should be written and sent by your student. Parents may message me directly at any time, but my goal is that students be the ones to inquire about a grade, question an assignment, etc.