

# Living Environment Class Policies

Mrs. Walcott

## Required Materials:

1. 3 ring binder & small amount of loose leaf paper (you will be given guided notes)
2. Pens, pencils, highlighter

## Classroom Rules:

1. Attend school every day you are well to do so!
2. Show respect towards yourself & others.
3. No eating in science class. BIOHAZARD!
4. Have a positive attitude! I promise to give you my best! I hope that you can promise to give your best!

## Homework:

 (approximately 15% of overall grade)

Each unit will be supported by completion of HW assignments from the review book or class handouts and Castle Learning, a web based instructional program.

## Labs:

 (approximately 20% of overall grade)

1. Students must complete 30 lab hours to be eligible to take the Regents exam.
2. All laboratory activities will be conducted and stored in class.
3. One missing lab will be dropped per quarter including labs missed from absences.

## Tests:

 (approximately 65%)

Will be given approximately every 1-2 weeks at the end of a unit. Tests will always be announced ahead of time and posted on my website's calendar. **Science testing days are days 1, 3, 4, & 6.**

## Extra Help:

Will be offered routinely based on when a unit is coming to a close. Extra help will be held in my classroom after school (2:25). This will always be posted on my website's calendar under the tests links. Students may also see me for additional extra help upon their request.

## Grades:

Your quarterly grades will be determined by your performance on homework assignments, lab reports, projects, and tests. Tests will always count the most toward your overall grade. The effort you put into your homework, labs, projects, **should** boost your test average unless you fail to put effort into these assignments.

## Topics of Study:

1. Experimental Design
2. Life functions
3. Biochemistry
4. Ecology
5. Microscope/Cells
6. Cell Processes
7. Body Systems
8. Reproduction
9. Genetics/Protein Synthesis
10. Biotechnology
11. Evolution/Classification

## Contact Me Please:

Teacher and parent communication is very important to student success. My website is a useful tool to keep you connected to my classroom. I always post review materials before tests under the MY RESOURCES link and important dates will be updated regularly on the calendar. Please reach out to me if you have concerns, and I promise I will do the same!

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Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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