

**Ms. Levy's 8th Grade
 Physical Science Syllabus
 Luella Middle School
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 Room 805**

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Class Description:

The 8th grade Science program is designed to give all students an overview of common strands in Physical Science. Which includes, but not limited to the properties of matter, force and motion, electricity, magnetism, light, sound and energy transformations, while integrating the station rotation model of personalized learning.

Textbook:

Georgia Physical Science

Henry Learning Progressions :

Unit 1: Nature of Matter - 9 Weeks

Unit 2: Forms/Transformations of Energy -5 Weeks

Unit 3: Force and Motion – 9 Weeks

Unit 4: Characteristics of Waves – 5 Weeks

Unit 5: Electricity and Magnetism – 4 Weeks

Unit 6: Georgia Milestones Review – 2 Weeks

Unit 7: Enrichment or Remediation – 2 Weeks

Classroom Expectations

Students must have a positive attitude towards Science. Students must respect one another. Students must present a willingness to think critically, solve creatively and the ability to produce only their best work. All students are expected to adhere to the LMS behavior management plan in addition to the Henry County School District's policies listed in the student's handbook.

Grading Policy

- ✓ **Summative Assessments** **100 %**
- ✓ **Formative Assessments**
(Inform Progress with Mastery) **0 %**
- ✓ **Midterm / Final Exam** **15%**

Teacher/Parent Communication

Late Work:

Teachers and Parents play a vital role in the development of the student's academic progress. It is very important to maintain communication throughout the year to support each student in this process. Parents should check their child's agenda daily to keep up with all "at home" and long term assignments.

1. Email is a very effective tool for communication between parents and teachers. Teachers will strive to respond in a timely fashion. However, due to the fact that teachers are working with students for a majority of the day, please allow 24 hours for teachers to respond to emails.
2. To schedule a conference, please notify the teacher you wish to conference with as soon as possible.
3. Progress reports and/or report cards are uploaded to Infinite Campus, approximately every six weeks.
4. If you don't have access to email, please contact the front office. Remember: Teachers may not be available for immediate consult, but will return your phone call as soon as possible.

Students are expected to submit their homework/assignments on the date specified. Missing homework/assignments are defined as items left at home, left in another classroom, lockers, or incomplete assignments. If the student is absent on the day the assignment is given, he/she will have time to complete the assignment in accordance with the handbook. All assignments turned in preceding the assigned due date/class time will be graded as follows:

One (1) day late ~ 10 points deducted

Two (2) days late ~ 20 points deducted

Three (3) days late ~ 30 points deducted

Absolutely **NO** work will be accepted if it is more than **THREE** days late without a legitimate excuse.

All assignments will be graded as follows:

90- 100%=A, 80-90%=B, 74-79% =C, 70-73%=D, Below 70=F

Student Signature:

By signing this syllabus, I am saying that I have read and understand all of the policies and information on this syllabus.

Date: _____

Absences and Makeup Work:

Any assignment and/or test announced BEFORE a student's absence is the student's responsibility to be prepared for that assignment and/or test, the day the student returns to school. Students are allowed to complete all missing work when absent within the time allotted for the county (refer to page 5 in the student handbook.) It is the student's sole responsibility to obtain missing assignments upon returning to class.