

Mrs. Yasurek's 8th Grade Science Class

Feel free to contact me whenever you have a question or concern!

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8th Grade Course Overview:

Standards taught in this course are the NGSSS for Science, which emphasize increased opportunities for investigations. Topics to be covered include the Practice of Science and Scientific Knowledge with a focus on Scientific Theories, Laws, and Models. Our study of the properties of matter will focus on the Scientific Theory of Atoms, the Periodic Table of Elements, compounds, weight, mass, density, physical properties, changes in matter and energy transformations such as photosynthesis and cellular respiration. Second semester will focus on our Earth in space and time and the impact of Science on political, social, and economic issues.

What do I need to know for science class?

- * Find and save link for live binders to have access to my interactive notebook & class information....go to livebinders.com, then click 'featured', type 'Yasurek' into the search box and click 'search'. Scroll down and click the 8th Grade Science 2021-2022 binder. *There's no need to create an account!!*
- * Sign up for Remind: Text 81010 with the message @yasurek78 to receive reminders from me and have the ability to message me at any time.
- * Read your Announcements on MyLearning every single day!!
Directions for each lesson will be posted there for you.
- * I expect that you will:
 - Be on time, on task & prepared to learn every day!
 - Keep all personal electronics put away!
 - Be responsible for your own learning!
 - Respect me, the classroom & each other!
 - Take care of your trash!
- * You will need:
 - * A spiral notebook
 - * Pens and pencils
 - * Scissors
 - * Tape or glue stick (your preference)
 - * A folder
 - * Colored pencils
 - * Small pencil sharpener

If you don't.....

1. Verbal warning
2. Lunch detention
3. Parent Contact
4. Referral

* After you're absent:

- * See your announcements on MyLearning for missed work! Then see me if you have any questions for completing that work.
- * You'll have the two days to make up your work for each day that you're out.

Controversial Issues (Per Board Policy – 2240):

The Board recognizes that a course of study or certain instructional materials may contain content and/or activities that some parents find objectionable. If after careful, personal review of the program lessons and/or materials, a parent indicates to the school that either the content or the activity conflicts with his/her religious beliefs or value system, the school will consider a written request for his/her child to be excused from a particular class for specified reasons. The student, however, will not be excused from participating in the course and will be provided alternate learning activities during times of such parent requested absences.

Grade Scale:

- A 90%-100%
- B 80% - 89%
- C 70% - 79%
- D 60% - 69%
- F 59% and below

Grades for this class will be based on a point system with the following categories:

- homework/classwork
- labs/activities
- notebook checks
- quizzes/tests

Keep in mind:

- * I do not 'give' grades, you **earn** them!
- * Do your work.....and you'll do well!
- * Check my student twice a week!
- * Make up work if you're missing it!!

I'm looking forward to an amazing year with all of you!!!!

