

Class Syllabus for 6th grade SCIENCE

Sharpsville Middle School 2023-2024

Mrs. Dickson

Life Science, Earth Science, Integrated Science, and
Tech Exploratory

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Description

As we enter another exciting year of science, we will look closely at life science in 6th grade. Topics such as the microscopes, cells, DNA, heredity, classification, viruses, bacteria, invertebrate, vertebrates, and ecology will be explored.

Goals:

- Investigate problems and find a solution supported by data and evidence.
- Interpret and communicate scientific information.
- Learn how to solve problems in a team atmosphere.
- Learn how to manipulate technology to express scientific results.
- Connect science to other core subjects and the real world and see how different disciplines of science are related to issues in everyday life.

Homework

Homework is a vital part of your student's education, each assignment will correlate with what is being done in class and that's why it is imperative that your child submits homework on time. This gives them extra practice in a particular area. Homework submitted late will result in a 10% deduction in points per day that it is late up to a total deduction of 50%.

Make-Up Work:

Make-up work will be expected to be completed in a timely manner. A summary of what is covered each day in class will be posted on google classroom daily and any papers that students need will be in trays at the back of the room sorted by class period. Both assignments on paper and assignments on google classroom will occur throughout the year. It will be the student's responsibility to check for any assignments that need to be completed and/or turned in. Students have as many days absent to make up the work. For example, if a student is absent for 2 days, then they have 2 days to complete the assignment and turn it in.

Extra Support:

If your child is struggling in science, please contact me and we can arrange some allotted time before or after school where I can help your student with any deficiencies.

Materials:

- Three-ring binder - since there is no textbook, the binder serves as the textbook for the class. I do not suggest that the binder be used for other classes. There should be one strictly used for science only.
- PENCIL
- Chromebook

Grading Scale:

Grades will be posted on CSIU weekly. Please be sure to check periodically to ensure that your child is completing their assignments.

A	100-90
B	89-80
C	79-70
D	69-60
F	59↓

General Class Rules and Expectations**Class Expectations:**

- *Safe
- *Respectful
- *Responsible
- *On task
- *Positive attitude
- *Prepared

Class Participation:

Students are expected to participate in classroom activities and discussions. This is an essential part of the learning experience.

Consequences:

The discipline policy of the school will be expected to be followed at all times. Inappropriate behavior (depending on the nature, severity, or frequency) may result in one or more of the following actions by the teacher:

- *Verbal/Visual warning
- *Conference with student
- *Email/Phone call to parent
- *Conference with parent(s) & student
- *Lunch detention
- *After school detention

A quick note from Mrs. Dickson

This year I will work to ensure that every student is receiving the best education possible. Please feel free to contact me for any questions or concerns you may have in regards to your child's education. The best way to contact me is through email, ndickson@sasdpride.org.

I believe that parent/teacher communication is important and I look forward to working with you and your child through this year.

Thank you,
Mrs. Dickson