

APES Summer Assignment 2017-2018

Welcome future APES students! Do not panic! This is not a long assignment. The goal is to get you set up with the online textbook and my website. A second goal is for me to obtain contact information for you and your parents. ***The syllabus will be available on my website by July 1, 2017.***

Please read carefully and follow the instructions....

This is an advanced science course that combines the disciplines of biology, chemistry, geology and math to investigate global environmental issues. We will discover how the Earth's systems function together and how humans have affected our planet. We will also examine our personal consumption habits and learn ways to be responsible global citizens in the face of serious environmental issues. ***Because this is a college level course, you will be responsible for learning a large amount of material on your own.*** I will help you as we go, but it will be your responsibility to read the textbook, take notes, study and learn your vocabulary! We also work on the assumption that you have a general background that includes biology, chemistry and algebra.

In this course, we will be using technology extensively to help you learn basic content and communicate as scientists in the 21st century. Complete each of the following tasks to ensure that you are ready to begin on the first day of class!

1. Visit Dr. Cooper's website at <http://cooperjl29.wixsite.com/mchsscience>. Find the AP Environmental Science tab and go to "General Information". Find the syllabus. Please read this carefully and make sure you understand and can commit to the expectations for this class.
2. Go to the "contact" tab and send me the following
 - Your name
 - Your email
 - Your parent(s) name(s)
 - Your parent's preferred email
 - Your parent's phone number
 - Any information you think I should know about you (allergies, hobbies, etc.)
3. Register for the online textbook – follow the directions below. If you have trouble, access the Pearson help page or send them an email. If you still can't get logged on, send me an email.
 - Go to www.pearsonschool.com/access
 - Follow the step by step instructions
 - When you are prompted to enter a course ID, say "NO"
 - **Make sure you choose the correct textbook. Our textbook = Withgott – AP Environment, the science behind the stories 4th edition (4e)**
 - Access codes are below. Each code is good for 50 students. Start with the first code. If it doesn't work, try the second and then the third.

SSNAST-TAWS-POME-SYNC-FAIR-UTEP
SSNAST-FRAE-POME-SYNC-PINT-FROM
SSNAST-KEPT-POME-SYNC-MOOT-AREG

4. Once you are in the textbook, spend a little time going over the format.
5. Make sure you have reviewed basic concepts in math (up through Math I), chemistry, and biology.