Biology - Wilsonville High School

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Biology is a required science course in the West Linn-Wilsonville School District. This course will fulfill the one-year life science requirement for graduation. The course is designed to provide instruction in the general areas of: scientific process, biochemistry, cell biology, molecular and classical genetics, biotechnology, evolution, microbiology, and ecology.

Grading Information:

- Students will be graded on their performance through written and practical exams, quizzes, homework, projects, laboratory reports, written evaluations, and classroom participation. Grades will be assessed as shown below:

GRADE SCALE – grades will be distributed on a normal grading scale.

WEIGHTING
Tests and Quizzes = 40%
Daily Assignments and Homework = 30%
Labs, Projects and Notebooks = 30%

- There may be a penalty for late work depending on circumstances and communication. Late work must be made up in a timely manner
- Bonus Points are available from time to time, but will not be designed specifically for individual students.
- Tests and labs missed as a result of excused absences must be made up within one week for full credit.
- All submitted work must be headed with student's full name, date, and period. *Incorrectly headed work may be rejected and may result in a zero for that assignment.*

Homework

- Students are expected to complete homework and reading assignments each week. The type and number of assignments will vary as appropriate.

Supplies

- Textbooks for use at home will be checked out to each student and should be returned in the same condition that they are issued. Additional textbooks will be made available in the classroom for use during class. Student accounts will be charged for missing or damaged textbooks. The text is: Miller Levine – Biology.
- Students must have the following in class daily:
  - **3-ring binder Notebook Paper**
  - **Calculator**
  - **Dividers for binder**

Website

The biology course has a website where you can access assignments and information about each unit. This is a tool with which you need to become familiar and comfortable. The website is your friend. **www.wvhs.wlwv.k12.or.us/biology**

Course Goals:

1. To introduce students to the nature of science and the role scientific knowledge plays in society.
2. To introduce students to a lab setting and develop laboratory skills.
3. To model and encourage life-long learning skills that will help your student succeed in life.

Student Responsibilities:

1. Be **respectful** to classmates, teachers, and the learning environment.
2. Come to class on time and be prepared to participate.
3. Complete assignments as directed and on time.
4. Be a cooperative member of class by encouraging others to be focused and positive.

Lab Safety:

Students follow teacher directions at all times.

I have read the above expectations and understand them. Please sign and return to your teacher. This is a graded assignment.

My Biology Period: _____

Student Name (print) _____ Signature _____

Parent Name (print) _____ Signature _____

Parent Email: _____