

Student Name _____ Period _____ Teacher _____

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child has chosen to take a year-long course in Forensic Science. Due to the nature of this science, the course will involve the study of articles, videos, novels, discussions, and research into violent or graphic material not normally present in the classroom. Although these topics will be dealt with delicately, their content is unavoidable in any thorough Forensic Science course. The topics include some violent crimes that will be mentioned in passing, but not studied in depth. However, if you or your child are uncomfortable exploring this material, please have your child contact his/her guidance counselor to enroll in a different course.

During this course, the students and instructor will at all times act in a respectful manner towards the victims and crimes discussed. Below you will find a permission slip, which needs to be returned by the last drop date for courses (August 25) in order for your child to continue in this course. I look forward to working with you and your child in our explorations into this budding and exciting branch of science!

Please read and initial the following statements, indicating both student and parent give consent for the student to remain in Forensic Science as well as view and study the materials presented in the course.

Student Initials	Parent Initials	Statement for Consideration:
		1. I understand that attendance is a vital component to succeed in Forensic Science, and will make every effort to attend class and to be on time. Additionally, I will contact the teacher prior to a known absence or immediately following an unplanned absence to arrange any make-up work necessary.
		2. I have read and understand the grading policy for Forensic Science, and know that district policy will be followed in regards to all grading.
		3. I understand that media literacy (video clips, scholarly journals, newsprint, photography, etc...) is a vital component to this course, and that some of the media shown will involve dramatic representations of criminal acts, crime scenes, and their investigation. I give my child permission to view the materials presented in class.
		4. I understand that both student and teacher must act appropriately at all times in regards to sensitive information during the class period.
		5. (Circle one) I do / do NOT give permission for my student to participate in any pre-planned educational field trips for Forensic Science. If the student has important work to complete on their home campus on these dates, they have the option to remain behind.
		6. I understand that the student may at any point inform the instructor that he/she is uncomfortable with material. Teacher will conference with the student about his/her concerns. Parents may also contact the teacher at any point during the year to request a conference, or to check in via email or phone.

I, by signing this document, state that I have read and agree to the terms in the course syllabus and request permission for my child/myself to remain in the Forensic Science course for the year.

Parent:(print and sign) _____

Date: _____

Student:(print and sign) _____

Date: _____

Teacher: *C. Perez, C. Coursey, M. Darden, P. Archibald*

Date: *August 2024*