

Course Syllabus

Teacher: Laura Simonds
Class: 7th Grade Science (Life Science/Chemistry)

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Hours: 7:45 – 12:30

Course Description

Life Science introduces students to the topics of cells, genetics, human biology, animals and plants. Chemistry focuses on the properties of matter, atomic structure and the periodic table of elements.

Materials Needed

Textbook: 5 separate textbooks
Other Materials: folder to keep assignments in, pencil or pen, folder kept in the classroom(provided)

Academic and Behavioral Expectations

The class period is approximately 45 minutes long. There will be several guided and independent activities that will take place in that time. It is expected that the student will work within Wahoo Middle School's academic and behavioral expectations. (see below) All homework assigned will be due at the beginning of class unless otherwise noted. Quizzes and tests will be announced in advance and need to be completed the day that they are assigned. Long-term projects will also be announced in advance and are to be completed by the date assigned.

Wahoo Middle School Academic Expectations

- *Be on time and prepared for learning*
- *Complete assigned tasks on time*
- *Strive for academic success*
- *Use work time productively*
- *Respect people and property*
- *Respond appropriately to staff directives*

Grading

All assignments, quizzes, tests, and projects will be graded on a point value system. The amount of points assigned will be based on teacher judgments. Quizzes are generally between 25-30 points. Tests are usually 40-60 points. Assignments 5-20 pts.

Additional Information

If a student misses class, the responsibility of getting the notes, activity sheets and assignments is that of the student. Extra copies of activity sheets can be found on the back counter in each period's tray, with an attached sheet "While You Were Out".

The student can ask questions or seek additional help outside of class in several ways. The teacher is available before school, during study hall and during lunch. I am not here after school hours.

Assignment format:

- assignments
- lab reports
- quizzes
- tests
- projects- Ex: models, PowerPoint's, posters