DeLand High School
Biology I/Biology I Honors
Course Outline
Ms. Vaughn
2019-2020

Course Description
This course is an introduction into the field of Biology and other fields of study such as physics, chemistry, and ecology. Students will develop an appreciation for the natural world and how we as humans interact with and depend on the environment.

Textbook
Florida Miller & Levine Biology © 2019

Daily Supplies
One 3 ring binder (minimum 1 inch size), 8 dividers, notebook paper, pens, and pencils.

Classroom Needs
Tissues/Paper Towels
Gloves (labs)/Wet Wipes (labs)/ Dry erase markers (labs)

Biology Objectives
Students will learn about these topics:
What is Biology?
Macromolecules, Properties of Water, & Enzymes
Cell Structure/Function & Transport
Cell Cycle, Mitosis, & Meiosis
Genetics
Evolution
Humans, Photosynthesis/Respiration, & Plants
Ecology

Contact Information
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Grading Policy
90-100 A - Outstanding Progress (Mastery)
80-89 B - Above Average Progress
70-79 C - Average Progress (Proficiency)
60-69 D - Lowest Acceptable Progress
0-59 F - Failure

Class Grades
40% - Portfolio:
Reading/ Writing/ Notes/ Labs/ Participation
60% - Quizzes/ Test

Make up Work/ Retakes
If a student is absent it is THEIR RESPONSIBILITY to obtain and complete missed assignments. If a student fails a test they must complete remediation before a grade change can be given.

Tutoring
I am available every morning before school and at lunch by appointment, for any students who need help with Biology.

Classroom Expectations
Students are expected to be on time and prepared for class every day. Students are expected to maintain a Biology portfolio (3 ring binder) that will be organized and kept neat. This portfolio will be a large portion of each student’s grade, second only to assessments. Students are expected to participate in class on a daily basis and this will be part of their grade as well.

Classroom Rules
1. Be on time
2. Be prepared
3. Listen and follow directions promptly
4. Speak and Move only with permission*
5. Respect others and their property

Consequences
1. Verbal Warning
2. Written Warning
3. Move Seat and Parent/Guardian phone call
4. Sent out of class

***Repeats of #4 will constitute lunch detention or discipline referral
SEVERE DISRUPTION = AUTOMATIC DISCIPLINE REFERRAL
**Bathroom Pass Policy:** Unless there is an emergency or other circumstance, students may use up to three bathroom passes per nine weeks. Students are not allowed out of the class during the first or last 10 minutes of class.

**Electronics Policy:** The county electronic device policy will be in effect in class. All electronic devices must be powered off and out of sight unless instructed so by the teacher.

**Academic Dishonesty:** It is the expectation of all students that any work handed in is completely the work of the student. If outside sources are used, they should be properly cited. If cheating occurs during an exam, a grade of “0” will be given for that exam and that exam cannot be retaken. In cases of plagiarism, a zero will be given for that grade.

Please sign and return this last page by Friday:

I, __________________________, have read and understand all student requirements for their Biology I/ Biology I Honors Class.

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Student Name Printed                  Parent/Guardian Signature & Date

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Student Signature & Date                Parent/ Guardian Email