

# **7th Grade Science**

Fall 2010  
M-F 9:41-10:31  
Science Room

## **Instructor Information**

Instructor's name: Blaine Bacon  
Instructor's office hours: M-F 8:00-9:00am or 10:38-12:00  
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## **Course Description and Goals**

The course will serve as a comprehensive science course, which will include: life, earth and physical sciences. Students will be preparing for more difficult and in-depth science courses that they will take in the future. Learning will take place through a variety of avenues including: the text, laboratories, videos, and other hands-on learning activities.

## **Requirements and Policies**

**Required Texts** *Life Science* by Glencoe

### **Grading\***

\* Each student's lowest homework score and quiz score will be dropped each quarter.

Homework: 30%

Labs: 20%

Test/Quizzes: 50%

### **Attendance**

- See handbook
- Whenever possible, assignments for absences should be acquired AHEAD of time so that the student can submit the work before the absence.
- Make-up work for short-term absences will be due by the end of the second day for every day absent. (students who do not follow this procedure will receive a 2% deduction in the quarter grade)

### **Quizzes**

Announced and unannounced quizzes will be taken throughout the school year. They should be made up ahead of time if at all possible.

## **Papers**

--Papers will be handed in with the following information contained in the top-right corner of his/her paper:

- a) Full name
- b) Date
- c) Assigned pages and problem #s
- d) Class will be centered on the top of your paper

\* 5% deduction if any of the above information is missing

--No Fringes!!!

--Vocab: Terms will always be collected on the day of the test at the beginning of class. Terms must be hand-written!

--Current Events: Each student is required to complete a current event every month. Students must follow the assigned template.

## **Tests, Mid-term and Final Exam**

--I will grade on a curve using my discretion.

--Students will spread out so they are seated in front of a sink at the lab benches.

--No questions about the test can be asked after the test is distributed.

--Students will not photocopy or write down questions from any of the tests

## **Academic Honesty**

- See handbook

## **Classroom Expectations**

--Bell rings, find your seat, give me your attention

--Take roll, I will pick somebody to pray, current events

--You will NOT touch the gas or water valves without permission

--Use inside voice

--Cell phones may only be used with permission (if I see them I take them)

--Shirts must be tucked in (office will keep a list this year)

--“Mr. Bacon” or “Coach Bacon”

--GOLDEN RULE!!

**Supplies**

- pencil/pen
- highlighter
- 3 ring binder (1 inch recommended)
- loose-leaf paper
- dividers
- calculator
- red pen

**Outline of Course**

<b><u>Unit</u></b>	<b><u>Chapters</u></b>
1) Safety	
2) Life's Structure and Function	1-6
3) Bacteria & Fungi	7-8
4) Human Body	17-22
5) Animal Diversity	13-15
6) Plants	9-10
7) Ecology	26

\*\*20 Chapters total and we will cover them all