7th Grade Science Syllabus

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**Science Curriculum**

This year we will be following the Next Generation Science Standards for our science curriculum. We will be continuing the use of the scientific method throughout this science class. The units we will be focusing on this year are; cells, kingdoms, ecosystems, chemistry, physics, and waves. Since we do not have a science textbook, students will be given resources to use throughout the year.

**Student Materials**

Supplies needed for class; one 1 inch binder, one 5 pack of binder tabs, loose graph paper, CMS agenda book, and pencils. Students are expected to come to each class with all necessary materials.

**Homework**

Students can expect homework 2 to 3 times a week. It is the aim of the teachers to provide meaningful manageable amounts of homework that adds to the in-class learning. Homework amounts may fluctuate at times, but when it is assigned, it will be valuable and essential for student success in this Science course. Typically students will have two days to complete assignments. Students are expected to use their CMS agenda in order to keep track of assignments and due dates.

**Assessments/Grading**

Student learning will be assessed in a variety of ways. Short quizzes, in-class writings, entrance slips, flashbacks, and exit slips will provide me with meaningful data on student learning during the units of study. Larger tests will be given at the end of each unit (about one a term). The point value of each assignment will be determined based on the length and difficulty of the assignment.

**Attendance**

Attendance is very important. In science we complete many experiments that are important to students’ learning. Students are responsible for getting all missing work and making it up or completing an alternative assignment.

**Classroom Behavioral Expectations**

Students are expected to be respectful, safe, and to try your best! Students should also follow H.I.P. expectations.

I am excited and looking forward to this year!

Ms. Schwartz

I have read the information and understand Science requirements and expectations.

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