

# Biology Spring 2020

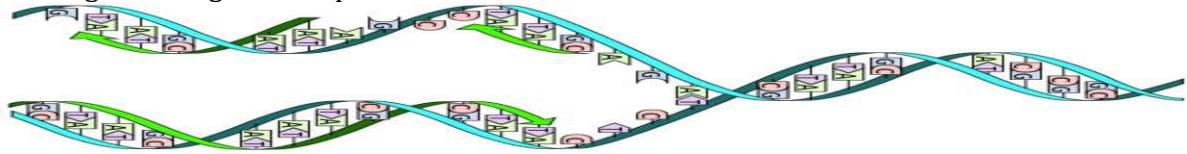
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I am very excited to be your teacher this semester! Biology and other life sciences are a passion of mine and I will enjoy sharing it with you. I am your ally for ***earning*** your grade, I want to work with you so you can do your best. I work diligently to foster a sense of community in the classroom in order to create a safe and positive learning environment.

## Expectations:

- I expect the very best out of each and every one of my students!
- Each student will treat each other with the utmost respect.
- Each student will treat the teacher and all school property with the utmost respect.
- Come to class, on time, prepared, with your materials ready to go and be ready to learn!
- Leave bad attitudes and all negative vibes at the door.

**Materials Needed:** Students need to be prepared in class with the following:

- A fantastic and willing attitude!
- Blue or black pens
- Pencils and an eraser
- Binder with dividers for assignments
- Notepaper

**Electronics:** ALWAYS ask permission before using any electronics in class. Failure to ask permission will result in the loss of the device for the remainder of the class period. Repeat offenders will need a parent to pick up the device from the office. No photography or recording may be taken in the classroom without permission ***FIRST***. District and Board policy will be followed to ensure a safe and conducive learning space for all.

**Grading:** Quarter/Semester grades will be divided into the following areas:

Exams: 30%

Quizzes: 15%

Science Practices / Lab Work: 30%

Daily Assignments: 15%

Final Exam: 10%

## Grading Scale:

A=100-93.0%

B=86.9-83.0%

C=76.9-73.0%

D=66.9-63%

A- =92.9-90.0%

B- =82.9-80.0%

C- =72.9-70.0%

D- =62.9-60.0%

B+=89.9-87.0%

C+=79.9-77.0%

D+=69.9-67.0%

F=59.9% and lower

- **I do not round grades, if you receive an 89.9% your grade will be a B+.**
- All written work must be legible. If it is not readable, it is not gradable.
- Late work **MUST** be completed and turned in with a **Late or Incomplete Assignment Form** found on the class website. **The due date for late work is two weeks before the end of the semester (5/29). No exceptions.**
- Test retakes **ARE ALLOWED**. You have two weeks from when you get your original test back to retake the test. Two things must happen: 1) provide evidence of work to improve your score 2) Consult with me on a make-up time/date. You will only retake the questions you missed. One make up opportunity per test.
  - \*\* I do expect all work and assignments to be completed on time and of your highest quality. I hold academic integrity to the highest regard, there is absolutely no excuse for cheating of any sort. Any cheating will result in an automatic zero for the person caught cheating and the person they are cheating off of (if the second party is knowingly participating). I am always willing to help and assist, I request you come to me with any questions or concerns. \*\*

**Exams and Quizzes:** Exams will be given roughly every month and quizzes will be given approximately every other week.

**Participation:** I expect all students to participate regularly. Please consider the following:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete the daily warm-up question with a thorough answer.</li> <li>- Be a positive participant in class.</li> <li>- Be in your seat by the time the bell rings.</li> <li>- Listen when the situation calls for it and only talk when allowed.</li> <li>- Control yourself with your cell phone. Use only when usage is approved.</li> <li>- It is OK to make a mistake, it is encouraged you always try.</li> </ul> | <p><b>Here are some examples of non-participating properly:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Being tardy—you are not tardy if you are in your seat ready to start class</li> <li>- Being off task or disrupting class</li> <li>- Breaking lab safety policies, which may lead to an automatic 0% on the lab.</li> <li>- Leaving the class/ lab area messy</li> <li>- Being disruptive to the teacher or class. (Yes, this includes non-approved usage of cell phones/tablets!)</li> <li>- Eating or drinking in class without permission. Screw top / closable water bottles are allowed, except during labs</li> </ul> |
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### **Make Up Work:**

- All assignments will be posted on the class website. Please refer to the website when you are absent for the assignments and the daily schedule. Homework and make up assignments can be submitted online using the "Submit Your Work" function. You will be responsible to convert a handout assignment to an electronic version if you wish to submit it electronically.
  - You have as many days as you were absent to make up your work.
  - Exceptions for vacations, hospitalizations, or any other unique circumstances to this rule are accepted on a case by case basis by the teacher.

### **Academic Honesty & Consequences:**

- Students are expected to do their own work. Plain and simple.
- Please see SDA Academic Honesty Policy for clarifications and examples.
- In order to maintain a safe learning environment for all, student choices that violate classroom, school or district policies will result in appropriate consequences. Please refer to the SDA Discipline Policy for details

**Please take this home and go over it with your guardian. Sign this page of the packet. Bring this page back by MONDAY, February 3<sup>rd</sup>!! You will not be able to receive any credit on any assignment after that date until it is turned in. Please keep the rest of the syllabus in the front of your science notebook.**

I have read the following and understand the course expectations for Biology:

**Student Name/Period:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guardian Name Printed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please supply the following information if you would like:**

**Parent/Guardian contact info:**

**As a teacher for your student, is there anything I should know?**



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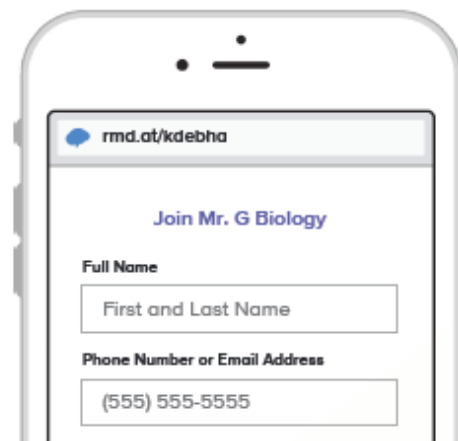
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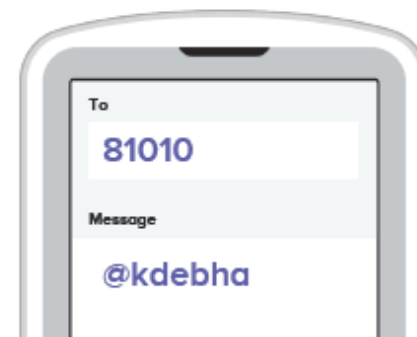


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