

Mrs. DeLeeuw's Classroom Policies  
2012-2013

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| <b>Grading scale:</b> | A | 90-100 |
|                       | B | 80-89  |
|                       | C | 70-79  |
|                       | D | 60-69  |
|                       | F | 0-59   |

**Grade determination:** The following will be used to determine your 9 weeks grade

20% --homework, bellwork, classwork, quizzes, class participation, all other assigned material or activities.

30%--Labs, lab folder

50%--Tests, semester exams, projects, research paper(s), any other major assignments.

Your semester grade will be determined as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> 9 weeks grade-----40%

2<sup>nd</sup> 9 weeks grade-----40%

Semester test-----20%

**Daily homework and test policy:**

\*Homework is due the next day unless otherwise stated, such as research papers, journals, and projects.

\*You will lose 10% (one letter grade) for every day your work is late.

\*Depending on participation and behavior in class, I will allow one test re-take per 9 weeks. It must be scheduled and completed by the 8<sup>th</sup> week of the 9 week period to allow time for grading. The test may be a different version than the one previously taken.

\*You will have three days after any absence to turn in missed assignments or to take a test. It is YOUR RESPONSIBIILITY to come to me for missed work, tests. You may ask ahead for assignments too if you know you will be gone from school. If you miss near the end of a grading period, the allowable time to make up work may need to be adjusted to allow time for grading.

**Absences and tardies:**

\*You must have an admit slip from the office after an absence from school. If you do not have your admit slip, you must go to the office to get one; you may receive a tardy if you do not make it back to class before the bell rings. PLAN AHEAD!

\*You must have a tardy slip from another teacher or the office if you are late to any class period.

**Discipline policy:**

\*If a student CHOOSES to break a classroom rule

1<sup>st</sup> time: warning ticket will be given.

2<sup>nd</sup> time: Student will be given ticket for 15 minutes spent in class after school by Thursday of that week.

3<sup>rd</sup> time: Student will be given ticket for 30 minutes spent in class after school by Thursday of that week.

4<sup>th</sup> time: Student will be given ticket for 45 minutes spent in class after school by Thursday of that week, and parent/guardian will be called.

5<sup>th</sup> time: Student will be given ticket for 60 minutes spent in class after school by Thursday of that week, and a referral will be sent to the office.

\*If a student CHOOSES to follow the rules

They may earn praise, positive notes home, free time, movie, outside class time, gameday, and others possible.

**Supplies:**

\*You are responsible for your own paper, pencils, pens, erasers, notebooks, binders, journals. I will not give or loan an item without collateral. I will have some items for sale at a minimum cost i.e. paper, pencil, eraser, folders, etc. Other supplies may be announced later in class as needed.

**Hall passes:**

\*You will be allowed 3 hall passes for the restroom during a 9 week period. You should write your name and date on the checkout form after getting permission from me to leave class. I will date and punch your hall pass card when you return.

\*You will not be allowed to leave class during lecture or other instructions. You should plan ahead and use the bathroom before coming to class.

\*You may turn in unused passes for extra credit on your homework grade. They must be turned in prior to the end of the 9 weeks period in which they were given. They may not be held until the end of the semester/year.

**Classroom policy:** A more detailed version is posted in the classroom.

\*You must follow instructions. Safety is very important in a science class!

\*I dismiss the class, not the bell.

\*Push in your chair, put away your text book, and clean your area before leaving class.

\*NO cell phones, ipods, ipads, Kindles, Nooks, or other electronic devices without permission.

Unauthorized use may result in them being taken to the front office.

\*NO food, drink, candy, gum, etc. Absolutely nothing is allowed during lab times.

\*You must bring your own supplies to class. I do not loan supplies. See SUPPLIES policy.

\*Use only black or blue ink, or pencil to do homework, tests. Colors may be used in assignments as instructed.

\*Student name, date, and class period should be at the top of each paper turned in. If there is no name, a student will not be given credit for the work.

\*NO doodling or graffiti on tests, assignment papers, journals, texts, desks, etc.

\*NO hats or sunglasses are to be worn in class. Hats will be permitted only for sanctioned school events

\*Do not litter. You will place/drop trash in the container, not toss it from a distance, etc.

\*Do not sit on tables or side counters.

\*Do NOT lean back in chairs.

\*Appropriate dress for lab days: hair pulled back (as needed), closed-toed shoes, no loose clothing, etc. This is according to the lab safety contract. You will lose lab points if you do not dress appropriately; exclusion from lab is possible as well.

\*NO goofing or horseplay will be allowed during class or lab times—Safety first!

\*No contacts should be worn during lab times, especially when dissecting or using chemicals. Goggles must be worn when dissecting or using chemicals.

\*Do not enter the chemical/supply rooms.

\*Do not touch the safety or lab equipment unless instructed to do so.

\*Other detailed policies have been gone over and are posted in the classroom.

Detach and return \_\_\_\_\_

I have read these policies and agree to abide by them. This paper will be kept in my class binder at all times.

Student name printed \_\_\_\_\_

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_