



# BIOLOGY

Mrs. Henderson ♦ 2023-2024



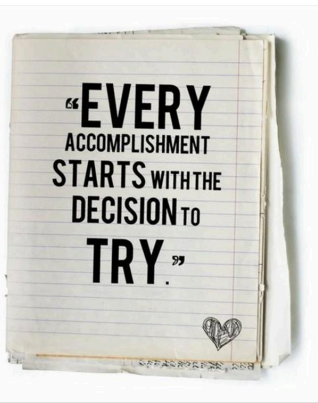
## EXPECTATIONS:

- ✦ **Be Respectful:** Students will treat their peers, the instructor, the classroom, and the equipment with respect.
- ✦ **Be Responsible:** Each student is expected to follow the school's code of conduct and arrive on time.
- ✦ **Be Prepared:** Students will bring supplies to class each day, turn in assignments on time, and be prepared for any tests/quizzes.
- ✦ **Be Honest:** Student work will be of their own effort.
- ✦ **Be Productive:** Students will use their class time wisely.

*I'm so excited to be your Biology teacher! Let's work together to make this our best school year yet.*

## REQUIRED MATERIALS:

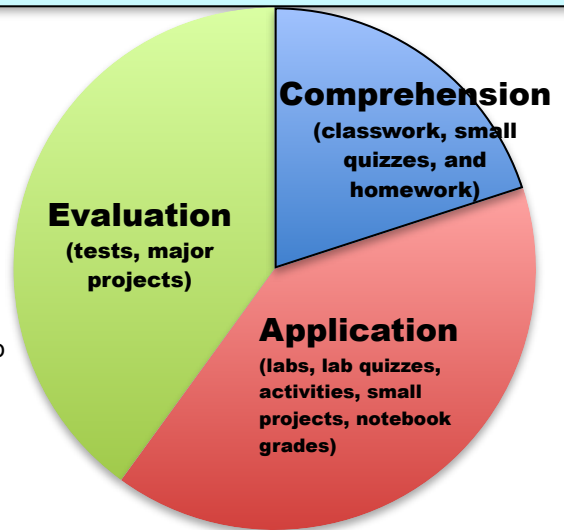
- ✦ Chromebook (school-issued)
- ✦ Ear buds/Headphones (for assignments)
- ✦ Folder for Biology only to keep handouts
- ✦ Pencils
- ✦ Scissors and colored pencils (if you do not want to use the class sets)
- ✦ Classroom Supply: (Pick one) 2-3 rolls of paper towels, a box of disposable gloves, or a box of tissues



## GRADING SYSTEM

- Comprehension 20%
- Application 40%
- Evaluation 40%

Every effort will be made by the teacher to enter grades in a timely manner. Labs and projects may take up to 10 days to enter depending on the size and scope of the assignment. Most other assignments and tests should be entered within a week.



## FIND ME HERE:



[hendersonbiology.wonecks.net/](http://hendersonbiology.wonecks.net/)

## Parent Square

This district is moving away from using things like "Remind". You can find teachers through Parent and Student Square! Messages can be sent through this platform as well.

ParentSquare

## EXTRA HELP: ?

Before school: 7:30



## EMAIL:

[hendersons@woisd.net](mailto:hendersons@woisd.net)

## Welcome to Biology!

I am so happy to teach you about our living world this year. I look forward to getting to know each of you. You can look forward to learning about Biochemistry, Cells, Energy Transformations, Cell Division, Genetics, Ecology, Evolution, Microorganisms, and many other fascinating aspects of the world around us. This is a STAAR EOC tested class, and our EOC will be in May. Don't worry, you will prepare throughout the year!

## Electronic Devices:

Chromebooks are a required classroom supply, so bring them to school daily. Charge them every night. If you bring your charger to school, please label it clearly with your first and last name. Everyone's charger will look similar and it is your responsibility to keep track of your charger. Computers will be used when instructed, and you will stay on task until you complete the assignment. Cell phones need to be off or on silent and kept put away. If you cannot remove this distraction on your own, I will help you. Responsibility with your devices is an important life skill.

## Makeup Policy:

If you are absent, please see me about your missing work when you return. One day grace will be given for each day absent. Tests need to be made up within one week of your return to help you perform your best. I will work with you to figure out a reasonable timeline for completion of makeup work, be sure you communicate with me so I can help you be successful.

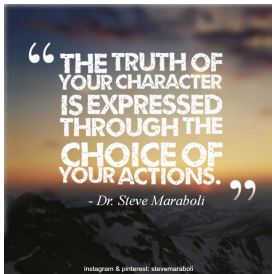
it Doesn't  
matter what  
others are Doing.  
it MATTERS what  
YOU are doing.

## Late Work and Retest Policy:

No late comprehension assignments (daily work/homework) will be accepted for full credit. If it is turned in one class day late, the grade is no higher than a 70 (30% reduction in grade). If it is two days late, the grade is no higher than a 50. After that the grade is a 0. Keep up with your classwork!

Students are permitted to submit application/project activities one day late for a 25% reduction in grade, and two days late for a 50% reduction in grade. Work is considered late if not turned in at the beginning of the student's scheduled class period or when the teacher announces the deadline for submitting work.

The teacher will provide one retest opportunity per unit test (for up to a 70%) on a date assigned by the teacher. Corrections or remediation must be done before a student retests.



It is my job, as teacher, to maintain an environment in which all students can learn comfortably and safely. Therefore, disruptive, inappropriate, unsafe, and disrespectful behaviors will not be tolerated. I will do my best to help my students learn the content and grow as young people in our community. All students can experience success in Biology if they want to!

I have read through this Biology syllabus, and I understand my responsibilities for the course. I understand that there is detailed version of the classroom management plan and the grading policy for the science department on Mrs. Henderson's blog.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_