

# Middle School Science

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Divine School

4th Period

Room 304

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## Course Description:

This course provides students with an overview of science topics through the 5E sequence (Engage, Explore, Explain, Elaborate, and Evaluate). They will practice this sequence through the lens of life science. Students will specifically focus on ecosystem interactions, structures of life, and body systems.

## Goals:

By the end of these courses your child should be able to:

- Create and use science notebooks.
- Use 5E Lesson Sequence from Kesler to learn about science topics.
- Engage, Explore, Explain, Elaborate and Evaluate the following topics: life science including: interactions in an ecosystem, structures of life, and body systems.

## Required Materials:

- Composition Notebook
- Pencils
- Chromebooks (provided by WSD).
- A great attitude and motivation to learn!

## Class Expectations:

### **Terrier Pride**

- Respect Yourself
- Respect Others

- Respect Property

### **Terrier Pride in the Classroom**

- Follow the 3 Rs
- Be on Time
- Be Prepared
- Attend to Presenter
- Support Everyone's Learning

### **Absences/Tardies**

If your student is absent, they can check Google Classroom for any missed assignments that need to be completed. The student is responsible to meet with me to discuss a due date for the missed assignment.

If your student is tardy, they will need to enter class with a blue slip to be excused. If they do not provide a blue slip, they will be considered tardy. Three or more tardies may result in disciplinary action.

### **Makeup/Late Work**

Makeup and late work will be accepted, but only in the quarter that it was assigned. There are quarter deadlines that work must be completed by to be graded. Ex: An assignment given during the first quarter can only be turned in and graded in the first quarter, and cannot be turned in during the second quarter for credit.

### **Electronic Devices**

Use of cell phones and any other non school electronic device are not permitted during school hours. Chromebooks will be provided for schoolwork only. If use of electronics becomes an issue, students will be asked to put their cell phones in a designated location for the duration of class.

## **Grading Policy:**

Quarterly grades will be determined as follows:

- Class Assignments: 30%
- Participation: 40%
- Tests: 30%

Grades will be reported in the following form based on WSD grading marks:

Letter Grade	Percent Ranges	Scale Value	General Rubric
A	93-100	4.0	Exceeds expectations
A-	90-92.9	3.7	
B+	87-89.9	3.3	
B	83-86.9	3.0	Meets expectations
B-	80-82.9	2.7	
C+	77-79.9	2.3	
C	73-76.9	2.0	Approaching expectations
C-	70-72.9	1.7	
D+	67-69.9	1.3	
D	60-66.9	1.0	Does not meet expectations
F	<60	0	No evidence

### **Additional Support:**

If students need additional information or support on an assignment, they can come see me to schedule a time to meet. This time can either be before or after school.

### **Parent Contact:**

If parents need to contact me, the best way to do so would be either email or VP. I check my email frequently and typically respond within a day. If you prefer another mode of communication, please let me know.

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