**Course Title: 6th Grade Science**

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**Planning/Conference Times: 8:15 – 9:30 Tues-Fri**

**Groups:** please join the group that corresponds with your science class.

 **Google Calssroom (Students)**

 **3rd  nhj9ex**

 **4th  ktuwih (Advisory/Jacket Time)**

 **5th  t5eqgi3**

 **7th  siq766v**

 **8th  ufd77vc**

 **Remind (All Classes)**

 **Text to 81010**

 **Text Message - @am6cboling**

 **Gizmo**

 **3rd  hxcjlpbqtd**

 **5th ud5grllkwv**

**7th  djhbhtqj6v**

 **8th  nblazb9jwl**

1. **Course Description and Instructional Goals:**

I am very excited about working with your student in science this year. I know this will be an outstanding year, with new challenges to meet. Our class will meet in room 602 each period. Students will begin the class with a Daily Warm-Up activity, copy homework assignments from the board, etc. while I take roll. We will address the homework assignment and begin our lesson. Our lessons will vary in learning modalities such as hands-on labs, reading and writing assignments and use of technology (IPads).

You will receive a Science Lab Contract that details procedures that must be followed at all times. Please review these carefully. If your child does not follow the safety procedures they will be assigned an alternate activity to be completed in the place of the lab. Because of the extent of the Labs, there will be no way to make up this work. These rules are for the safety of all students.

Homework will be assigned daily. **Students are responsible for writing homework assignments in their planner/agenda books.** I expect homework to be neat and finished by class time on the required due date. If students choose not to complete their homework assignments, I will ask that parents begin checking and signing completed homework each night. If students still choose not to complete their homework, they will be brought before the team teachers to discuss this problem.

* For students who consistently do not have their homework, contact will be made with parents or guardians and the intervention plans implemented (includes HW lunch, after/before school help, and possibly missing Exploratory class with prior approval from Exploratory teacher.)

Incomplete work must be completed within 5 days unless Administrative approval is given

1. **Make up work** is work that students missed due to being absent from class. This work should be completed and submitted within 5 days. (Special circumstances such as extended sickness will be determined on a individual basis)
2. It is the ***responsibility of the student*** to obtain missed assignments whenever absent.
3. I will use ***“0’s” for missed assignments*** but will provide time and an opportunity for students to make up work. It is expected that students are given every opportunity for success.
4. Incomplete work must be completed within 5 days unless Administrative approval is given.
5. Parents will be notified by report cards, email, letters home, and phone calls when their child continually fails to complete assigned work at home, as it will affect the student’s progress and grade.

 It is the ***student and parents responsibility*** to check Power School daily to monitor their grades.

**II. Lab Safety Procedures:**

Listen carefully to all instructions and follow all directions.

No running, unnecessary movement or moving from table to table unless instructed by the teacher.

Take care of all the equipment and science materials.

Clean lab area when completed and keep the area neat.

No tasting, eating or drinking allowed in the Science Lab unless instructed by the teacher.

Complete all labs as instructed in a timely manner.

Keep loose clothing and long hair out of your way.

Students **MUST** wear closed toed shoes while participating in ALL lab activities. (AMS / HCSD Policy letter will be forthcoming.)

**III. Instructional Model:**

Daily Warm-Ups, Teacher-Directed Instruction, Explorations/ Inquiry Labs and Closure

1. **Assessment Procedures Will Include:**

This year our school is using weighted percentages to calculate your child’s grade.  Each assignment or assessment will fit into one of the categories listed below, and each category will count as a percentage of your child’s final grade.  The following is a breakdown of the weight for each category.

Major Assessments/Assignments:  50%

Mid-level Assessments/Assignments:  30%

Practice Assessments/Assignments:  20%

1. **Class Syllabus:**

We will cover the following topics in class during the year:

 Lab Safety

 Plants

 Energy

 Weather & Atmosphere

 Animals

1. **Grading Scale:**

 **Letter Grades:**

 A 100-93

 B 92-85

 C 84-77

 D 76-70

 F 69-0