

Homework Policy

Homework is assigned every night, Monday through Thursday. I do not give homework on the weekends. It is due when you enter class the following day. Failure to do homework results in the completion of a student responsibility card which will be kept as documentation that the assignment was not completed. Homework is worth 10 points per day.

▶ My expectations of you are that you will bring your very best to my classroom each and every day. I plan to bring you a fun-filled year of excitement in learning about science. If you are willing to work hard, do your best, and have fun, I guarantee you will be successful in my classroom! Each of you are fantastic young people with tons of potential. I want to see this potential unveil itself and you succeed!

Grading Scale

A=90-100
B=80-89
C=70-79
D=60-69
F=Below 60

Make-Up Work Policy

- Go to the While You Were Out Bin.
- Retrieve work from the folder of the day that you were absent.
- Sign the homework notebook acknowledging that you picked up your missed work.
- Makeup work is not available if your absence is unexcused.

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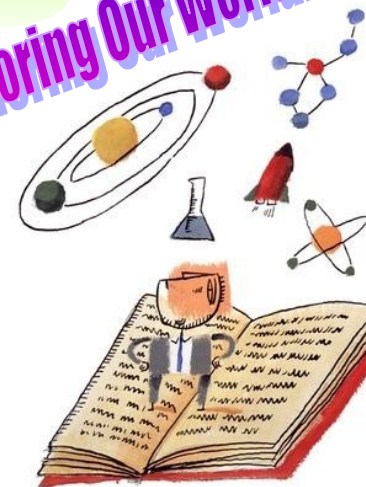
DO YOUR BEST!!!

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Dr. Seuss, *The Lorax*

Mason County Middle School

Exploring Our World...



▶ Welcome to
7th Grade
Science

Challenger Team
Mrs. Bowling



What Are We Going to Learn About This Year?

In 7th grade science we learn about a variety of topics including:

- Ecology and Environmental Science
- Water Quality Monitoring/Pollution
- Genetics and Heredity
- Reproduction
- Change Over Time/Fossils
- Chemical Reactions
- Motion and Forces/Newton's Laws
- Transformations of Energy (Heat and Temperature, Light, Sound, and Electricity)
- Oceans and Our Climate
- Weather and Atmosphere
- Forensic Science/Science of Crimes
- Science of Flight

This seems like a lot to learn in just one school year but believe me, time flies when you're having fun, and that is what we are going to do, all the while learning a great deal of science!!!

How Do We Do Things in 7th Grade Science?

Entering the Classroom:

1. You will wait in the hall, lined up, single file beside by classroom, until I dismiss the other class and invite you into the room.
2. Start immediately on the brainwork assignment posted on the SmartBoard. If it is Monday, you need to get a brainwork sheet from the tray in the front of the classroom and place this in your binder to answer the questions for this week. This will be turned in on Fridays.
3. After you have finished brainwork, look at the agenda for the day and determine what you are going to do. Sit quietly and wait for the teacher to begin.

Working at Lab Stations:

1. Most of the time we are working at lab stations around the room. You are to remain with your assigned lab partner at all times, work at your assigned station, and do not disturb other groups.
2. For your safety as well as the safety of others you should also refrain from horseplay while completing labs.
3. When you finish a lab, place your lab sheet in the bin for your class period and return to your seat. You may work on your homework, read an AR book, or complete homework for another class, in this order.

Working at the Outdoor Classroom

1. Please proceed to the designated area for learning if the sign is posted on the door to report to the outdoor classroom.
2. Bring all books and materials with you, do not leave them in the commons or hallway and arrive at the designated location on time with the rest of your classmates.
3. Sit on your assigned row or table when you arrive and answer the bellwork question on the sheet for that day of the week and wait for the teacher to give instructions on what you are doing today.
4. When you finish your assignment return to the amphitheater or shelter and work on your homework until it is time to return to the building, then, do so in a quiet, orderly manner and report to your next class immediately.

Leaving the Classroom

1. When there is five minutes remaining in class, I will have you return to your seats, if you are at lab stations, we will complete the exit assignment for the day, and inspect to make sure all lab stations are cleaned up and orderly.
2. The teacher will then dismiss you to your next class.
3. When you leave, you need to push in your chair and take any garbage on the floor near your desk and place it in the trash can.

Science Class Guidelines

(a.k.a the rules)

1. Get to your assigned seat and immediately begin the brainwork assignment for the day.
2. Bring ALL materials you need to be successful in class each and every day. This includes your binder, pencil or pen, agenda book, and AR book.
3. Follow all directions the first time they are given by the teacher.
4. Everyone is to be treated with respect and dignity
5. Follow all procedures and rules outlined in the MCMS agenda.

SPECIAL GUIDELINE: This classroom is a NO WHINING-ZONE!!! That means that there will be no whining, for ANY reason. Everything that I do is in your best interest, so please respect the "No Whining Zone" this year

What Happens if You Don't Follow the Rules?

- 1st offense: warning from the teacher (This means you need to stop the problem behavior immediately)
- 2nd offense: Action Plan to be completed and returned at the end of class and you need to meet with the teacher after class to discuss the issue at hand.
- 3rd offense: conduct chronicle signature

Serious offenses such as defiance of authority, fighting, bullying, harassment, etc. will result in automatic office referral.

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