

**WELCOME to 7th Grade Science**  
**Ms. Donaldson - room H 209**

**Course Description:**

This is the one year Science class. The Standard Based Life Science topics cover cell biology, genetics, evolution, and the structure, function and physical properties of living things. The newly adopted textbook, *Focus on Life Science* from Glencoe McGraw Hill Science will occasionally be used in the classroom; a book has been assigned to each student for study and assignments at home. In class there will be demonstrations, activities, and worksheets, tests and quizzes. The students will also do independent projects associated with each major unit.

**Students' Requirements:**

Each student must have for class each day:

- 1" Science binder (to be kept in class), with binder paper spiral notebook - for class notes
- 2 blue pens - All writing will be done in blue pen and in cursive.
- 2 pencils, at least (one red)
- yellow hi-liter

Other items that are useful in class, but not required:

- set of colored pens, pencils, or markers
- dual unit ruler (English and Metric)

Items NOT allowed in class:

- WHITE-OUT
- PERMANENT MARKERS OR PAINT PENS
- MECHANICAL PENCILS

**Grading Policy:**

- 40% of the grade is based on class work (activities, worksheets, etc.),
- 10% of the grade is based on homework
- 20% of the grade is based on tests and quizzes
- 20% of the grade is based on the independent projects
- 10% of the grade is based on class participation

Grades are on line. Parents may check their student's attendance and/or grades via PIV (Parent Internet Viewer) which is on the Hoover Web Site.