

8th Grade Physical Science Syllabus
Miss Bunyard

Topics Covered: This year in Physical Science we will be covering the topics listed below. As the year goes on the order in which we complete topics may change. Four weeks prior to Map testing we will begin reviewing material covered in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade to prepare for the Science Map Test.

<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>4th Quarter</u>
Cells and Heredity	Matter and Energy	Force and Motion	Scientific Method
Human Biology	Chemical Interactions		Electricity and Magnetism

Assignments and Evaluation: Grades will be weighted based on the following:

1. **20% Homework, Bell Work, Class Work, and Journal** – Students should actively participate in class and small group assignments. Students are expected to complete bell work everyday. Keeping a science journal is a key component of science class. The journal will be graded for completion of science vocabulary and questions, homework, and other assignments that are written in the journal.
2. **40% Labs and Projects** – During each unit labs and projects will be given to reflect what is being learned in class. Proper lab write up procedures should be followed and will be graded.
3. **40% Quizzes and Tests** – Students will be given announced and unannounced quizzes throughout each unit. Each chapter and unit will conclude with a test to check for understanding and mastering of subject matter.
4. Points will accumulate each quarter and weighted grades will be given as follows:

<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
A	96-100	B-	83-85	D+	71-73
A-	92-95	C+	80-82	D	68-70
B+	89-91	C	77-79	D-	65-67
B	86-88	C-	74-76	F	0-64

Late work – Late work will be accepted until the day of the chapter test. For each day the assignment is late, 10% will be taken from the graded assignment. In certain circumstances the teacher has the right to give students extended time to turn in late work or make-up work.

Make up work – When a student is absent work will be placed in a folder with the students name on it and placed in the front of the classroom. Students are responsible for picking up and completing all missed assignments. The student has 1 additional day for each day absent to turn in make-up work.

Student Behavior Expectations:

1. Treat everyone and all properties with proper respect.
2. Come to class prepared and on time.
3. Follow directions the first time.
4. Be responsible for yourself at all times.
5. All student behavior guidelines stated in the Student Handbook (planner) will be adhered to.

I have read through the above material and I understand what is expected of me/my child.

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Email