

Physical Science
Mrs. Cooper
Syllabus

Topics Covered*

Lab safety	The periodic table
Lab techniques	Physics
Metric system	Motion
Scientific method	Acceleration
Chemistry	Gravity
States of matter	Newton's Laws
Gas Laws	Earth and space science
Atoms	

*These topics may be condensed or others added in.

Class Format

Lecture
Labs *
Group work*
Group projects*
Individual projects

*Due to the inquiry nature of science a lot of in class time will be spent working in pairs or in groups.

Classroom Rules and Procedures

See Mrs. Cooper's Top five for classroom rules.

Homework is due at the beginning of the class period of the due date. **Late work will not be accepted.**

Students are responsible for getting in their own make-up work, and getting notes from another student when absent.

Students are allowed 1 extra day per day to make up work when absent.

Students are allowed 3 bathroom/locker/drink passes **per semester**, use them only in emergencies, students will not be allowed to leave the room without a pass.

Grading/Assignments

Work sheets	Binder evaluation
Essays	Grade Scale
Tests	94 - 100 A
Quizzes	86 - 93 B
Pop quizzes	77 - 85 C
Reading	70 - 76 D
Projects	69 ↓ F
Observation journal	
Participation points	

Extra Credit Opportunities

Extra Credit Article collection:

Students are allowed to collect articles on various areas of science (any field). Students are to fill out an extra credit article sheet for each article. Each article turned in is worth 5pts of extra credit. Students who have an A are allowed to do 2 articles maximum. Students who have a grade that is less than an A can bring their grade up to a 94%(no higher) with the articles.

Science Tickets: See science ticket handout.

Test may include extra credit questions.

Supplies

Text - will be provided for you the first week of class.

Binders- a binder (1in min) is required. Students are also to have dividers with tabs. The dividers are to be labeled and in the following order:

Notes*

Observations*

Labs

Tests/quizzes

Homework/W.S./Misc.

*Notes and observations can be in a spiral, or bound notebook, **But** students are required to put them in the binder during evaluation time.

Calculators are optional. Students may need them some days, but the math level in Physical Science can all be done on paper.

Students are required to bring text, binder, and a pen or pencil to class everyday.

Cheating

If students are caught cheating the following could occur:

Zero on that assignment, test, or quiz

Verbal warning

Written warning

Sent to Dean*

*OHS has strict rules about cheating. Please consult your student handbook. DON'T TAKE THE CHANCE- DO NOT CHEAT!!!!

