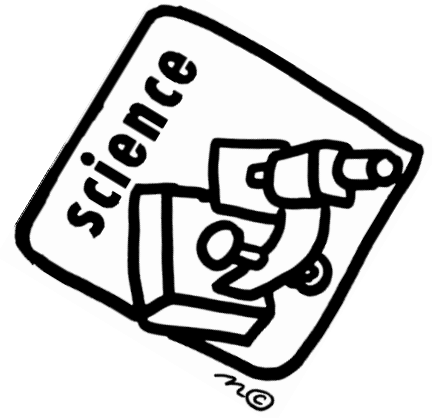


Welcome to Science!

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Welcome to 7th grade science at Kyrene Middle School. I am looking forward to a great year and am very excited to be your science teacher. Below you will find information to help make your year in 7th grade science as productive and meaningful as possible. Please keep this all year so that you can refer back to it as a reference.



My main goal is to help you think critically, scientifically, and creatively in order to solve problems and answer questions about the world around you. **This means you have to think!** I promise that, if you try and do your best, **you will always succeed.**

It's going to be a great year!

Mrs. Hoyman – ahoyman@kyrene.org

Late Work

Late class work or homework is accepted. If work is not turned in the day it is due, students will still be asked to complete the assignment; however, a 10% deduction will be taken for each day the assignment is late. Late work is accepted up to 10 school days after the due date.

Absent Work

If you are absent, then you have the same number of days as the absence to make up the work without penalty. For example, if you are absent one day, you have one day to make the work up.

NOTE: Students are responsible for obtaining work and information missed after any absence. Additionally, students must turn in any work that was due during their absence the day they return to school. If work is not turned in the day the student returns from the absence, the grade for the assignment(s) will be a zero.

Absent work can be obtained in the absent bin in the classroom. Students will need to go to the date they were absent and read the day's description. Extra copies of worksheets will be made available in this bin. Additionally, electronic copies of notes and worksheets are available on my website/Google Classroom.

Extra time will not be given for long-term assignments. If you are absent the due date of a long-term assignment, you must bring it to school. You may e-mail it, drop it off, or send it with a friend.

7th Grade Science Curriculum

The 7th grade curriculum continues to build upon the ideas of science. Students will begin the year by learning what science is and how to complete a scientific investigation and then report the results of the investigation. During the year, students will use these investigative and communication skills to research information in the topics listed below:

- Minerals & Rocks
- Weathering/Erosion
- Plate Tectonics
- History of the Earth
- Ecosystems
- Populations
- Earth, Sun, & Moon
- Solar System & Universe

Grade Weights

Grades are weighted. The below weighting system is similar to the high school systems.

Homework/Classwork – 20%

Assessment (Tests, Quizzes, Projects) – 80%

Grading Scale

100 – 90 – A

89 – 80 – B

79 – 70 – C

69 – 60 – D

59 – Below – F

Grades are not rounded. Extra credit will not be given on a regular basis.

Supplies

- (2) Composition or single-subject notebooks (1 for each semester)
- 1 inch binder
- Pencils
- Colored pencils &/or markers
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Index cards
- Highlighters
- Ruler
- Calculator – This can be the same calculator that is used in math.

*Classroom Supply Donations (appreciated, *not* required): Clorox wipes, Kleenex, pencils, colored pencils, glue sticks, various craft items for group projects (Ex. poster paper, construction paper, etc.)

Classroom Rules

1. Treat others with respect.
2. Be in your seat ready to work when the bell rings.
3. Raise your hand to speak and leave your seat.
4. Keep hands and feet to yourself.

Contact Information

The easiest method of contact is through e-mail. My e-mail is ahoyman@kyrene.org

Please fill-in the information below and turn in this page.

Due Date: Friday August 22, 2020

Student Information

I have read and understand Mrs. Hoyman's Science class policies.

Student Name _____ Period _____

Student Signature _____

Parent Name(s) _____

Parent Signature(s) _____

Parent Phone Number(s) – Please indicate what parent's number it is:

If you have access to e-mail and have not already done so:

Please send me an e-mail so that I have the most up-to-date e-mail information. In the subject line, please put your child's name as well as the period I have your child.

Then, in one million words or less, tell me about your scholar! Please let me know their strengths, areas to focus on, and anything else that would make this year better for us.