

York's Sixth Grade Science Course Syllabus

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to sixth grade general science. I am very excited about beginning this new school year and I hope your child will find it challenging and rewarding. Science is an enriching subject that incorporates the areas of physical, earth, and life science. Process skills such as predicting, classifying, inferring, and discovering will be investigated.

It is very important that students come to school ready to perform classroom activities. Please carefully review the classroom policies and grading procedures.

Content Areas

- Scientific inquiry, process skills, and controlled investigative design, analysis and problem solving.
- Plants processes, structures and responses that allow them to survive and reproduce.
- Animal processes, structure and responses that allow them to survive and reproduce.
- Relationship between Earth's atmospheric properties, weather and climate.
- Law of conservation of energy and properties of energy and work.

Materials:

- 3 ring binder or Trapper Keeper Notebook
- Notebook paper
- Pencils and/or Pens
- Color pencils, Crayons or Markers
- Science Textbook
- Index Cards
- Headphones/earbuds

Class rules:

1. Be prepared daily with all materials.
2. Raise your hand to ask questions or to leave your seat
3. No cheating
4. Be respectful at all times

Consequences:

1. Verbal warning to the student.
2. Parent/Guardian contact/Lunch Detention
3. Discipline Referral
4. In some situations this list may not be the order of consequences.

Rewards:

1. Positive phone call or note to the Parent/Guardian
2. Student of the Month

Grade categories and weights:

- Tests 35%
- Quizzes 30%
- Classwork 30%
- Homework 5%

Make-up Work:

Students will be permitted to make up work missed during an absence as long as the student makes appropriate arrangements with me. The student is expected to complete the work within the time frame given. Projects are due the day the student returns. All other make-up work for absences follows the district make-up policy.

Late Work:

Students are encouraged to turn in all assignments in a timely manner in order to receive full credit. Late work will be accepted; however, the grade will fall 10 percent per school day until the third day. After the third day, it will be recorded as a zero. ***If work is discussed in class the student may not turn in the late assignment.***

Homework:

Parents should expect their child to have homework on 3 out of 5 school days during a typical week. Homework will be recorded in the student's agenda daily. Homework assignments will also be emailed every day. We will also have a class webpage you may use to acquire information.

<http://yorkscienceclass.weebly.com/>

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have about your child or the course.

Thank you,
Ms. York

Class Website: <http://yorkscienceclass.weebly.com/>

Email: syork@richland2.org

Telephone: 803-699-2750 ext 72208

Student Name (Printed) _____

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Acknowledgment Form

Please keep this syllabus for your records. Return the acknowledgement form to Ms. York.

My child and I have read the syllabus and understand the rules, procedures, and expectations of Ms. York's Sixth Grade Science Class.

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____