

# AP BIOLOGY

Mrs. Henderson ◆ 2023-2024



# **EXPECTATIONS:**

- Be Respectful: Students will treat their peers, the instructor, the classroom, and the equipment with respect.
- Be Responsible: Each student is expected to follow the school's code of conduct and arrive on time.
- Be Prepared: Students will bring supplies to class each day, turn in assignments on time, and be prepared for any tests/quizzes.
- Be Honest: Student work will be of their own effort.
- Be Productive: Students will use their class time wisely.

It's going to be a great year in AP Biology! Get ready....

## **REQUIRED MATERIALS:**

- 3-ring binder
- pencils & black/blue pens
- folder/binder to keep handouts
- Chromebook (school-issued)
- Optional: Your own scientific or graphing calculator

Please donate the following: 2-3 rolls of paper towels, a box of disposable gloves, or a box of tissues (pick one)



# GRADING SYSTEM

Occuprehension 20%

Application 40%

Evaluation 40%

Every effort will be made by the teacher to enter grades in a timely manner. Labs and projects may take up to 10 days to enter depending on the size and scope of the assignment. Most other assignments and tests should be entered within a week.

# Evaluation

(tests, major projects)

#### Comprehension

(classwork, small quizzes, and homework)

#### **Application**

(labs, lab quizzes, major quizzes, activities, TRG quiz average, small projects)

#### FIND ME HERE:



hendersonapbio.wonecks.net

#### Parent Square

This district is moving away from using things like "Remind". You can find teachers through Parent and Student Square! Messages can be sent through this platform as well.



### **EXTRA HELP:**

Morning - 7:30 AM

#### **EMAIL:**

hendersons@woisd.net



#### Welcome to AP Biology!

This class is a high school class that teaches college-level content. There is a lot of information we will learn this year, but I also know that this is not your only class. Everything I give you to do will help you learn the content, apply the concepts, and prepare you for the AP Biology test which is at noon on Thursday, May 16th.

#### **Electronic Devices:**

Chromebooks (school-issued) are a required classroom supply, but aren't used in AP Biology class time every day. You will need them to access our textbook, Google presentations and AP Classroom during your independent study. Charge them every night. Label your chargers with your first and last name. Chargers look alike so it is your responsibility to keep up with your charger if you bring it to school. Cell phones need to be off or on silent and put away. If you cannot remove this distraction on your own, I will help you. Responsibility with your devices is an important life skill.

#### Makeup Policy:

If you are absent, please see me about your missing work. One day grace is given for each day absent. Tests need to be made up within one week of your return to help you perform your best. I will work with you to figure out a reasonable timeline for completion of makeup work, be sure you communicate with me so I can help you be successful!

EVERYONE HAS A HISTORY.
WHAT YOU DO WITH IT
IS UP TO YOU.

SOME REPEAT IT.

SOME LEARN FROM IT.

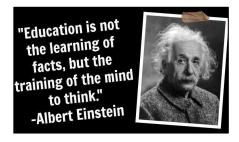
THE REALLY SPECIAL ONES
USE IT TO HELP OTHERS.

#### Late Work and Retest Policy:

No late comprehension assignments (daily work/homework) will be accepted for full credit. If it is turned in one day late, the grade is no higher than a 70 (30% reduction in grade). Two days late, the grade is no higher than a 50 (50% reduction in grade). After that the grade is a 0. Keep up!

Students are permitted to submit application activities one day late each term for a 25% reduction in grade, and two days late for a 50% reduction in grade. Work is considered late if not turned in at the beginning of the student's scheduled class period or when the teacher announces the deadline for submitting work.

There are no retest opportunities in this weighted course. There will be opportunities for test corrections on multiple choice tests and bonus points on free response test grades for all students.



I would love all of you to stay in my class, but I understand as the year begins you may change your mind on where you need to invest your time. AP Biology will require 4-8 hours of independent study most weeks. Please come talk to me if you feel like AP Biology isn't the best place for you this school year. Your schedule will need to be changed by August 30th. The exam is \$98, and the money is due on September 5th. Please talk to us if you need help with this!

I have read through this AP Biology syllabus, and I understand my responsibilities for the course. I understand there is a more detailed version of the science department grading policy on Mrs. Henderson's blog.

Student Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature _	Date