

Honors Chemistry/Chemistry Classroom Procedures and Policies

Course Goals and Expectations

- For each student to achieve the defined Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for High School Chemistry.
- The course will develop the student's ability to incorporate mathematical skills in the solution of chemistry problems, both through the use of word problems and laboratory activities while at the same time present material of use in daily life.
- To encourage the spirit of scientific investigation and with it the attitudes of accuracy in thought and work, and not to mention having fun while doing it. ☺
- HONORS CHEMISTRY: This is an advanced course designed to prepare the student for the first year of college chemistry. The course is a rigorous math-based course, with a strong laboratory component. Significant emphasis will be placed on developing the student's ability to solve problems through dimensional analysis.

Technology/Bag Policy

Any device must be stored in your backpack and placed against the wall in the designated area.

NO HEADPHONES!

KEEP CALM
and
LOVE CHEMISTRY

Tutorials

- If you do not understand a topic or need extra help. I will be available 7:40-8:00 am.
- Mandatory tutorials maybe assigned to you at any time throughout the year. I do not accept excuses!
- Communication with me is **VERY** important! I'll be happy to help you in any way I can -you just have to ask.

GRADING

Your six weeks average will be calculated by:

KEEP CALM
AND
CHECK YOUR GRADES

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| • Test and projects | 50% |
| • Daily Work | 10% |
| • Quizzes | 15% |
| • Nine week exam/project | 25% |

Materials

- Composition notebook
- Pens/pencils
- 3 rolls of paper towels
- 6 glue sticks

NOTEBOOK

- You will need to keep a **composition notebook. Always bring your notebook to class!**
- They will be graded once per nine weeks for a test grade. **This is your extra credit opportunity!**
- If you are absent from class you are still responsible for the materials that are placed in the notebook. 😊

Want me to remind you about things via text message? Set up for Remind 101. Your parents can too!

Text @mrsjchem to 81010
Standard text messaging rates apply

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MISSING/LATE WORK

If you are missing more than 2 assignments your parents will be contacted and detention/ISS can be assigned per the GHS handbook

I DO NOT accept late work so making sure your assignments are turned in on time is very important!

Absences / Make-up Work

- It is the **student's responsibility** to pick up any missed assignments due to an absence from my class. **You will need to ask me for your missed work.** If you have any questions about the assignment, please talk to me before or after class or during the tutorial period.
- According to the GHS handbook, you will have the number of days missed plus one to turn in the work to me. **This includes test!** If you are **absent for extracurricular activities** you will need to get the work **before you leave**, no extra time will be given to complete the assignment.
- **If a lab is missed, you will not make it up.** You will still be required to have notes, handouts, etc. from the lab experiment in your notebook.

Lab Activities

- Follow all lab rules. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!**
- Lab activities are designed so that you are able to connect the material to a hands-on experience.
- Unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated!!!

NO ONE IS ALLOWED IN THE LAB AREA UNLESS GIVEN PERMISSION!!

