

Syllabus

Agriscience Applications Syllabus

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Office Hours: By Appointment

Materials:

- Three ring notebook (3" recommended)
- Pencil or pen
- Highlighter
- Ear buds/Ear phones (For use when authorized by teacher ONLY)

It is recommended that your notebook contain information for this class only.

Course Description:

Agriscience Applications is a one-credit course designed for students in North Carolina secondary schools. As the recommended entry-level course for students in the Agricultural Education curriculum, its purpose is to introduce students to fundamental principles and skills in agriculture. This course serves as the basis for other agricultural courses offered at Southern Lee High School and is recommended that this course be taught at the 9th or 10th grade level.

Grading:

Tests**/ Quizzes 20 %

SAE*** 5 %

Labs/Projects	<u> 25 </u> %
Dailywork/Homework	<u> 10 </u> %
Participation	<u> 40 </u> %

** Note: The final exam (state given EOC) will count 20% of the student's TOTAL grade.

*** Supervised Agriculture Experience (SAE) is a vital part of agriculture education. An SAE is a project or experience that a student has outside of the classroom related to agriculture. This project may be a job, an experiment, a research paper, time spent in the greenhouse, or a number of other opportunities. Each student will be required to have an active SAE project throughout the semester. This is state mandated and will be a part of the student's grade.

Check Your Students Grade with [PowerSchool](https://dps.powerschool.com/public/home.html) [_\(https://dps.powerschool.com/public/home.html\)_](https://dps.powerschool.com/public/home.html)!
You can find your log-in information from the guidance office.

Class Rules:

- RESPECT: Yourself, your teachers, and school and personal property.
- Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each period. A tardy is entering the classroom anytime after the bell rings. Excessive tardies will NOT be tolerated!
- You are expected to be ready to learn when you enter the classroom.
- Be prepared. Have your notebook and a writing utensil ready when you sit down, EVERYDAY.
- If you are absent for any reason, **YOU** are responsible for obtaining your make-up work within a reasonable time. A due date will be assigned when you get your make-up work.
- All students will be expected to follow all rules in the Student Handbook.
- Inappropriate use of the Chromebook or internet access will result in disciplinary action – to include a suspension of privilege. Offenses include: playing unauthorized games, watching Youtube videos, working on assignments from another class etc.
- There is a zero tolerance policy with all types of electronics. If it is seen it will be confiscated
 - 1st offense - turned into office for parent/guardian pickup at end of school day,
 - 2nd - turned into office for parent/guardian pickup at end of school day, student receives 3 days ISS or possible OSS
 - 3rd – Refer to rule 21 Habitual Violation of School Rules, Lee County Code of Conduct – up to 10 days OSS
- Have a positive attitude!

National FFA Organization:

FFA is an integral part of the agriculture education program. All students are encouraged to join the Southern Lee FFA Chapter. Many of the topics covered in this class will be emphasized through contests and activities that students are encouraged to participate in. Members have the opportunity to travel, make new friends, learn valuable leadership skills, explore careers that interest them, earn money for scholarships and have fun! FFA dues are \$30.00; this includes state and national FFA dues as well as an FFA magazine subscription, chapter T-shirt and field trip to State Fair in October.

Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE):

Students in all Agriculture Education courses are required to have an ongoing SAE. An SAE is a project in which students perform activities, related to classroom instruction, outside of school hours. The project encourages students to gain work experience and job skills to help explore agriculture. 20 hours of an SAE will be required at the end of the semester and a paper/presentation on the SAE made. One quarter of each student's grade will be based on their SAE.

Class Absences Policy:

The class will operate on the "buddy" system. During the first few days of school you should chose a partner that is responsible for helping you in the event that you are absent from class. Each buddy is responsible for informing the other about tests, class work, notes and other important information.

If you are absent:

- 1.) Check Canvas**
- 2.) Check with your buddy**
- 3.) Check the Bin for copies of missed handouts**

If you miss class on the day of a test or quiz you will be responsible for scheduling a make-up with the teacher. However, if you were present when a test was announced, you **WILL** be responsible for taking that test the day you return. **It is not and will not be the responsibility of the teacher to inform you of materials that you have missed.**

Leaving Class/Restroom Policy:

To leave class, students must have an appropriate pass. Students are to go to the rest room during break.

Students with Special Needs:

Any students that have documented needs as noted in their IEP or 504 plans will be given every opportunity to ensure success in this course. However, students may refuse these services if he/she feels that quality work can be done without modifications.

Field Trip Policy: All Field trips and onsite speakers are on HOLD.

Throughout the semester there may be opportunities to go on course or FFA related field trips. Students that have been given out of school suspension will not be allowed to go on school related field trips as part of this course. Other behavioral issues may also lead towards the disapproval of any individual student not attending field trips. These issues are at the discretion of the teacher and the principal.

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