**Biology Syllabus**

**Mrs. Rhubee – Room 344**

Biology is a year-long course designed to give all students thorough background knowledge of living organisms and processes of life.

**Units Include:** Characteristics of Life, Biological Molecules, Cell Theory and Structure, Cellular Energy, Cellular Reproduction, Genetics, Microbiology, Animal Studies, Plants, and Ecology

1. **Requirements**
   1. Pencil
   2. Paper/Notebook
   3. Appropriate Clothing for Lab Days (we will go over Lab safety rules)
2. **Grading Approx.**
   1. Assignments 10-20 pts
   2. Quizzes 10-20 pts
   3. Tests 80-100 pts
   4. Lab Work 20-40 pts

* All assignments are due at the beginning of class unless I say otherwise. Any assignments handed in after I have collected automatically receive half credit. All late assignments are due one week before the last day of the quarter. No exceptions!
* You are always allowed to retake a test, but you can only retake each test one time.
* There will be a comprehensive final for first and second semester. Any content covered in that semester is fair game for the final. If your final score percentage is better than one previous test score in that quarter, the prior score will be bumped up to match the percentage of the final.

**Scale % Grade % Grade**

100-94 A 76-74 C

93-90 A- 73-70 C-

89-87 B+ 69-67 D+

86-84 B 66-64 D

83-80 B- 63-60 D-

79-77 C+ 59-Below F

1. **Make Up Policy**

* Students will be allowed two days for each day of excused absence to complete missed work for full credit. Let me know ahead of time if it is going to be a planned excused absence, so I can get you work ahead of time.
* Unexcused absences result in zero credit for the assignment on absent date
* **You** are responsible for showing me an excused make-up slip, collecting make-up work, and completing the work.
* All of my notes can be found on the school webpage on my staff page, so do not ask me to print off notes that you missed or use the excuse of missing notes.

1. **Expectations**
   * See Wildcat Way Matrix
   * Follow proper lab safety & procedure
2. **Discipline**

You and every other student have a right to learn and a teacher has the right to teach. When teaching and learning is interfered, appropriate measures will be taken. I do not believe in warnings. If you break rules you will be kicked out of class and/or given a detention.

1. **Cheating**

Cheating will not be tolerated. If you are involved in any way, you will receive zero credit for the test/assignment. Parents will be contacted.

1. **Extra Help**

I will be available for extra assistance before school, during study hall/prep/lunch, and after school. Please email me at [trista.rhubee@isd330.org](mailto:trista.rhubee@isd330.org) if you have any concerns or questions.

I have read and understand the classroom expectations and rules:

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