

6th Grade Science

Mr. May

2024-2025 Syllabus

Planning Period: 1:25 - 2:10

Contact Information:

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Course Description:

This course will continue to build the student's knowledge of a variety of general science concepts in Earth Science, Life Science and Physical Science. Students will have the opportunity to explore topics such as matter, energy, magnetism, life, cells, cellular process, human body, water, Earth's resources and the tools of science. Students will use the scientific method to explore and become better learners while developing their critical thinking skills. Students will create projects in the classroom and outside of the classroom that will require time and preparation outside of the school.

Daily Materials:

- Assignments/Homework
- Pencil
- Red Pen
- Highlighter
- Notebook paper
- Folder
- Composition book

Textbook:

Elevate Science; 6th grade edition. These books are property of the school and will stay in the classroom (unless otherwise authorized by the teacher). Students will be assigned a book for the school year. If your student happens to lose, misplace or damage their book beyond repair, it will be your/their responsibility to replace the textbook. Textbooks will be available online for any work that must be completed at home.

Major Course Requirements:

Assignments:

Students will be given time in class to work on assignments that are assigned during that class period. If an assignment is not completed during the allotted class time, the student is expected to complete the assignment as homework. Unless otherwise stated, all homework needs to be turned in at the beginning of class the following day. If an assignment is not turned in at the beginning of class the following day, it will be considered late. Some assigned projects may require time outside of class; however, the students will be provided with plenty of time to complete these projects.

Science Labs:

Students will participate and complete labs to enrich the information covered in class. These labs will be graded as an assignment. The students will be expected to keep a lab notebook that includes their lab reports. (Directions and requirements for the lab reports will be provided). Students are required to turn in the safety rules and guidelines sheet; this sheet must be signed by both the student and parent. Students will not be permitted to participate in any lab activities until the safety rules and guidelines sheet has been turned in. Labs are considered a privilege and can be revoked if a student's behavior does not demonstrate maturity and responsibility.

Grading Scale:

A: 100%-90%

B: 89%-80%

C: 79%-70%

D: 69%-60%

F: 59% or below

Classroom Expectations:

1. Be respectful of others and their property at all times. (Treat others as you want to be treated.)
2. Be prepared for class with all necessary materials. (Pencil, paper, assignments, etc.)
3. Listen and follow directions the first time.
4. Give others around you the opportunity to learn by not disrupting the teacher's effort to teach.
5. Do your best on ALL work and turn assignments in on time.
6. Be a leader.
7. Be kind and work hard.

Failure to follow the classroom expectations may result in disciplinary actions at the teacher's discretion.

Make-Up Work:

It is the student's responsibility to ask for and collect all work missed during an absence. Students will receive the same number of days that they were absent plus one additional day to make up assignments missed during an absence. If an assignment was assigned prior to the date(s) that the student was absent, it is due upon the student's return to class.

Late Work:

Assignments will be accepted one day late for 75% credit, and 2 days late for 50% credit. Assignments later than 2 days 0%. Students will be required to address the issue with Mr. May to have the possibility of receiving credit.

Second Chance Work:

Any assignment turned in on time that received a 69% or lower will be eligible for Second Chance Work. The student will have the opportunity to correct any incorrect answers on the failed assignment. The assignment will then be regraded and the two scores will be averaged. Second Chance Work must be completed within one week of the original due date. If the student does not take advantage of Second Chance Work within one week of the original due date, the grade is final.

Hall Passes:

All students are expected to come to class prepared with the required daily materials. If the student needs something outside of the required daily materials, they will be informed beforehand. All necessary breaks (restroom, drink, locker, etc.) should be taken within the 5 minute time frame between classes. If the student insists on leaving the classroom they may use a hall pass. Each student will receive 3 hall passes every 9 weeks. If the student needs to leave the room and they have used all of their hallpasses, they will receive a day of detention.

Tardy:

All students are expected to be in the classroom and in their seats when the bell rings. If a student isn't in the classroom and seated when the bell rings, they will receive a tardy. If a student receives a tardy 3 times, it will result in a day of detention.

- ***Students, if you need help, please see me. Do not be afraid to ask questions. Parents, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.***

Science Syllabus Agreement

By signing this syllabus you are agreeing that you fully understand and will comply with the teacher's given classroom expectations.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____