

## Environmental Science Policies & Procedures

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Welcome! Environmental Science is an exciting subject that helps us better understand what's happening in the world around us. This course will challenge you. You need to be organized and prepared to work to the best of your ability. **If you have questions please email or respond to the text message you were sent via School Status.**

## About Me:

This is my third year teaching here at DHS and I love being a part of this school and community. I have 22 years of experience in education, 11 years in St. Charles Parish and 11 years teaching at Michigan State University. I am passionate about both science and science education and am here to do all I can to help you succeed in my course, school, and life beyond these walls.



## Necessary Supplies:

- ✓ Folder for occasional physical handouts
- ✓ Pen and #2 Pencil – no iridescent gel pens, use black ink for labs
- ✓ Chromebook (provided by the school)

## Classroom Guidelines:

Adherence to the following guidelines will ensure a safe and enjoyable year for everyone:

- ☐ Be in your assigned seat prior to the tardy bell and be prepared to work from bell to bell.
- ☐ Follow all directions the first time they are given.
- ☐ Respect everyone and everything in the class.
- ☐ Bring all materials to class daily.
- ☐ Uphold high standards of effort and achievement.
- ☐ At the end of class you will be dismissed by the teacher, not the bell.

## Make-Up Work:

If you are absent from class, you should...

- check Google Classroom to see what you missed. If you are unsure then ask. You are also responsible for getting notes from a classmate.
- schedule time to make-up quizzes and/or tests ASAP – within one or two days. Make up quizzes and tests are given in The Learning Center (TLC) after school **ONLY**.
- complete all make-up work as quickly as possible. Generally, you will be allowed one day for each day you were absent plus one extra day.

## Remember:

- Each student, not the teacher, is responsible for his/her makeup work.
- Only students with an excused absence will receive credit...refer to page your student handbook for further explanation.
- In most cases, labs cannot be made-up due to their extensive preparations. An alternative assignment will be assigned.

## Tardy Policy:

I will be following Destrehan's tardy policy. I expect you to be **in your seat** when the tardy bell rings. Being in the classroom does not excuse you from getting a tardy pass if you are not seated. Once the first bell rings, no one will be allowed in class without a pass...no exceptions!

## Homework:

Homework is due at the beginning of class. When the tardy bell rings, your homework should be placed on your desk or submitted via Google Classroom. If it isn't on your desk when I come by to check, you will receive no credit. I cannot overemphasize the importance of putting effort into your homework. Homework is your practice. Lack of effort on homework **WILL** have a negative effect on your grade in this class!

## Cell Phones and Earbuds:

Your personal cell phone and earbuds **will never** be allowed in class. When you enter class your cell phone will be placed in the holder at the back of the classroom. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action. I do this to maximize your ability to concentrate and learn during class and to minimize the time I need to take redirecting your attention and asking you to put your phone away. In the event of an emergency anyone needing to contact you can do so through the office.

## Final Advice:

This course is challenging, but you can succeed in this class if you follow these key steps:

- \* Keep up with your assignments; it will be less stressful in the long run.
- \* Ask for help when you need it. I am here to help you succeed in any way I can!
- \* Work hard every day...all of you have the potential to excel beyond what you may think is

possible.

- \* Tutoring is available in TLC on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 2:30-4:30 with provided transportation.

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Student Name (please print)

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Student Signature

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Date

**PLEASE READ POLICIES BEFORE SIGNING**

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date