


Science by Heier



A Student's Guide to Heier's Classroom
Physical Science Chemistry 2014-2015
Clear Expectations & Practical Advice

Attendance

- ◆ Come to class on time.
 - ◆ Come to class prepared.
 - ◆ Come to class ready to learn.
 - ◆ Be in your seat when the bell sounds. Have your binder open ready to start warm-up.
- Do not wait for me to tell you to sit down.**

Absences

During all absences, it is strongly recommended that you check my calendar on my website for a list of tasks that were completed the day of your absence. It is also recommended that you download and print copies from my website prior to returning to school. If you do not have a printer available check the file cabinet for handouts, assignments, etc.

Student has two days for every day of excused absences to complete assignments (this includes test and quizzes). Lab material will be available for 1 week only. School related absences (advance notice activities) do not receive extra time to complete assignments.

It is your responsibility to set make-up time if necessary for assignments, labs or test during lunch, study hall or after school.

All missed work must be completed for credit. Just because you have your absence excused does not mean you are excused from doing the work.

Necessary Materials

- ◆ 3 Ring Binder for organization of warm-ups, notes, daily work, hand-outs, lab reports, etc.
- ◆ Pencil or pen ◆ Paper
- ◆ Basic calculator
- ◆ Headphones/Earbuds

Optional Materials

Colored pencils, scissors, ruler, graph paper, box of tissues, etc.

Cell phones, iPods, or other such electronic devices are allowed for school related work only with prior permission.

Do not bring food or drink to class. (Water bottle is encouraged.)

Breaks

Please use your passing time between classes for breaks. I offer twenty bonus points for students who have not used a hall pass for the entire quarter.

Classroom Behavior

Disrespect of others and their property is unacceptable. Behave in a way that is supportive of learning. When an individual is addressing the class you are expected to listen and not speak. Respect others questions, answers, and opinions.

Don't talk in class if your conversation is not part of a classroom discussion. Talking when someone else is talking - especially when I am addressing the class - is rude. DON'T!

Failure to follow this rule will earn a 20 minute "working" detention during lunch time.

Curriculum

Curriculum includes (but not limited to) Matter, Atomic Structure, Periodic Table, Physical & Chemical Change, Chemical Reactions, and Organic Chemistry.

Text Book

Physical Science by Glencoe; 2005 edition. Students may also access text book resources on line at: <http://glencoe.mcgraw-hill.com/sites/0078600510/>.

If you do not have Internet access at home but have a computer, a textbook on CD is available.

Cheating

There is zero tolerance for cheating. You will earn a zero with no make-up.

Homework

Homework will include studying for quizzes and tests, reading assignments, worksheets, lab reports, vocabulary definitions, study guides, and **watching video notes**. Most days students will have the opportunity to work on assignments during class.

Evaluation

All assignments will be completed by the due date given. Half credit will be recorded for late assignments. All homework assignments are due at the beginning of class.

Grading Scale

- A+ = 98 - 100%
- A = 95 - 97%
- A- = 92 - 94%
- B+ = 89 - 91%
- B = 86 - 88%
- B- = 83 - 85%
- C+ = 80 - 82%
- C = 77 - 79%
- C- = 74 - 76%
- D+ = 71 - 73%
- D = 68 - 70%
- D- = 65 - 67%

Grades are posted weekly. Check your grade routinely and notice if you have any missing scores. If you have a missing score, it is highly likely that you have missing work. Missing work requires your immediate attention.

Extra Credit

A variety of extra credit opportunities are available throughout the semester.

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Individualized Help

3rd Period & 5th Period Preps in my room or office;

After school *most days* until 4:00.