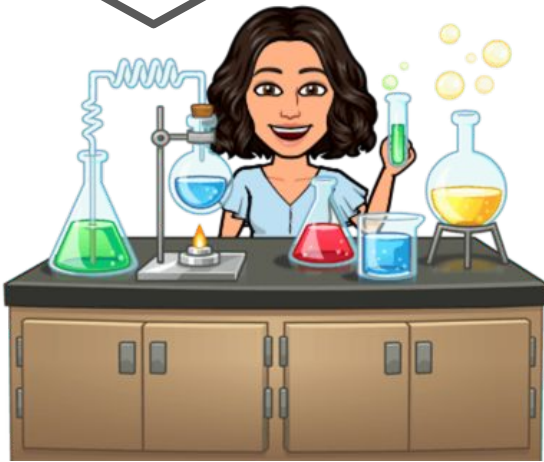


Biology I | WMHS Room 403

Hi, my name is Ms. Huevo! I will be your Biology teacher for this semester :)



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How Will I Be Graded in Ms. Huevo's Class?

Grading is completed using a 100 point system. Official grades will be posted to PowerSchool ONLY (do **NOT** refer to Canvas for class grade). Grading in CMS is on a 10 Point Scale. You will receive communication each time grades are updated!

Can I Turn In Late Work?

I am human, I understand things arise that may cause you to need more time.

IF YOU KNOW YOU HAVE AN ISSUE WITH A DEADLINE, PLEASE COMMUNICATE!!

To provide students with grace, they will have until the END of the following unit to turn in items from the previous unit. **Anything after this will be a 50%.**

Course Description

This course begins with a consideration of the living condition and discussion of the unique properties of living organisms that set life apart from the non-living. It continues with molecular and cellular biology, from which it moves logically into reproduction and genetics. An understanding of genetics gives meaning to organized variation, evolution and methods of scientific classification units dealing with microbiology and plant and animal phylum. Scholars should expect daily warm ups and exit tickets in addition to 2-3 homework assignments a week. Within each unit, there will be 1 to 2 mastery checks to ensure all students are on the right track for mastery (>80%) on the unit test.

10 Units of Study

Unit 1: Organic Compounds
Unit 2: Cells
Unit 3: Cellular Reproduction
Unit 4: Cell Physiology
Unit 5: DNA & Protein Synthesis
Unit 6: Biotechnology
Unit 7: Genetics
Unit 8: Evolution
Unit 9: Ecology
Unit 10: Characteristics of Life

What Supplies Do I Need for Class?

- 1.5 -Inch Binder
- Chromebook
- Chromebook Charger
- Writing Utensils-- Pens/ Pencils

Biology Binders

BIOLOGY ENDS WITH A CUMULATIVE EOC -- this means you will be assessed on all of the material since the beginning of the semester. To be successful, it is highly recommended that you use a **1-1.5" binder** to hold all of your class materials. Binder checks will be conducted regularly. **THIS SYLLABUS** is the **FIRST** document that will remain in your binder!

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	59 and below

CMS Grading Breakdown

1. **Prepare (20%):** Smaller assignments that allow students to practice new learning. (i.e. homework, warm-ups, exit tickets, smaller checks for understanding)
2. **Rehearse (30%):** Assignments that provide students with feedback on progress towards mastery of standards (i.e. quizzes, labs, mini-assessments, mini-projects, classwork)
3. **Perform (50%):** Culminating/formative assessment that measure mastery of one or multiple standards (i.e. unit assessments and projects with rubrics).

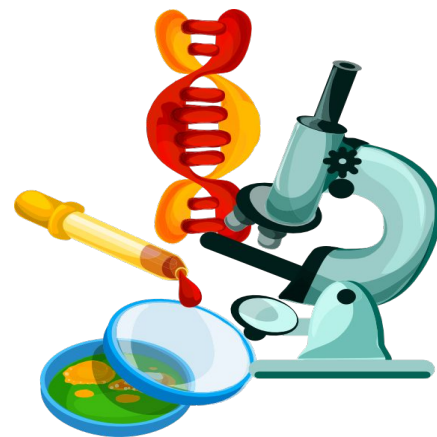
Midterm is 20% of the OVERALL FINAL grade in the course.

Final is 20% of the OVERALL FINAL grade in the course.

****** A grade of ZERO will be assigned if no reasonable attempt is made for an assignment.***

Science Department Cheating Policy

The WMHS Science department is committed to the academic, social, and ethical development of each of our scholars. We feel that being academically dishonest inhibits a scholar's achievement and compromises the trust between teacher and student, which is fundamental to the learning process. There is zero tolerance in regard to cheating/plagiarism. **If a student cheats or plagiarizes on any class work or assessment (tests/quizzes), that student will receive a zero and their parent/guardian will be notified. In addition, any student who assists another student in the act of cheating/plagiarizing will experience the same consequences.** Students will have an opportunity to complete the assignment or take the assessment to assist the student in mastery of the content; changing the grade is up to teacher discretion.



Cell Phone Policy

Phones are not permitted during instructional time at West Meck. The general rule in Ms. Huezo's class is that phones should be...

'OUT OF SIGHT AND OUT OF MIND'

until instructional time is finished. Students will be given a common area to place their phones in if they choose too. This area will be indicated during the first week of school and will remain within eyesight of the teacher.

If the cell phone policy is not followed, students will go through the following consequence breakdown:

1st Time: Warning to Place Phone in Common Area.

2nd Time: Phone will be taken until the end of class.

3rd Time: Phone will be taken until the end of the day and a phone call home will be made.

Ms. Huezo's General Classroom Consequences:

Non-Verbal Warning →
Verbal Warning →
One on One Convo →
Bounce Out/ Removal from
Classroom