**Honors Physics**

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Please make note of the following syllabus and classroom rules. Knowing and understanding these procedures will help you to ensure that your child is successful in his/her science class. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by email and I will get back to you within 24 hours.

**Course Description**

Physics is a course designed to give students a basic introduction to the nature of physics. These concepts are reinforced by appropriate laboratory activities, mathematical solutions, historical perspectives, and everyday applications.

**Course Textbook**

*Georgia Physics*

Publisher: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

**Topics**

* Kinematics
* Forces
* Momentum and Energy
* Sound, Waves, and Light
* Electricity and Magnetism
* Modern Physics

**Grading Policy**

# Grading Scale Grading Categories

A: 100 – 90 **Summative:** **Formative:**

B: 89 – 80 Tests: 45% Standard Based Assessment: 15%

C: 79 – 74 Labs/Projects: 15% Classwork: 5%

D: 70 - 73 Midterm/Final Exam: 20% *(10% each)*

F: 69 – 0

**Supplies to be Brought to Class Everyday**

1. Notebook or binder to keep notes

2. **Calculator (TI-30 or higher)**

3. Writing utensil

4. Completed assignments

**Attendance/Make-up Work**

* It is your responsibility to be in class. If you are unable to attend it is **YOUR** **OWN** responsibility to ask the teacher and determine what work was missed and complete your make-up work.
* You will need to get any missed lecture notes from a responsible classmate or from my blog.
* You will have the number of days that you were absent, with a minimum of two days, to complete make-up work. After the allotted number of days, if the work is not completed the grade is a Zero! If a student is absent the day of a previously scheduled exam or project, the student will be prepared to take the test and to turn in the assignment on the first day of return.

**Science Department Policies**

* Tardy Policy – Tardies will be enforced as directed by Kell’s Tardy Policy.
* **LATE CLASSWORK and LABS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED without Penalty. (10 points are deducted per day late)**
* **No** food or drink is allowed in the science classroom. If there is a medical problem requiring food or drinks, see the teacher individually.
* Safety contracts, signed by student and parent, must be returned before student can participate in laboratory experiments.
* There will be no extra credit assignments given.

**Extra Help**

* + LASSO
  + By appointment with at least a day notice

**Cell Phone and Audio Devices**

Cell phones, electronic equipment and accessories are not allowed to be seen or used during instruction time or any other time the teacher deems fit. They must be kept in the students’ pocket, book bag, purse, etc. If a cell phone or audio device is seen or used during class time a warning will be issued for the 1st offense and then the student will be given an administrative referral if the student does not correct their behavior.

**Restroom and Hall Passes**

All students are expected to use the time between classes for restroom use. If a student needs to use the bathroom during class, they must get their agenda sighed by the teacher first. No student will be allowed to use the bathroom during notes or during dead time, which is the first and last 10 minutes of class. If there are medical reasons requiring additional visits to the restroom, please provide a signed note from your parent/guardian/doctor.

**Class Expectations**

* Arrive on time and be in your seat when the bell rings.
* Be prepared for class, with notebook and writing utensil.
* Be attentive. This involves active participation in class discussions. Sleeping in class will not be tolerated.
* Speak respectfully. Never interrupt or talk while another person is speaking. **Raise your hand.**
* The teacher will dismiss the class – not the bell.
* No personal grooming or horseplay in the classroom. Use inside voices at all times.

**Exam Exemption Policy**

Students may exempt up to two final exams based on the following criteria:

* EOC classes cannot exempt the EOC Milestone Exam due to the Milestones State Testing, which counts as 20% of their overall grade. However, students may exempt their final assessment in the course as determined by the teacher after they take the EOC Milestone Exam.
* No more than 3 days absence either for the school day or within the class a student wants to exempt.
* 3 tardies or early checkouts will count as 1 full day absence for Exam Exemptions.
* No school discipline that results in ISS and/or OSS.
* *Must meet all specific course requirements:*
  + *If a student has a grade of 90 or above at the end of the semester and has not had* ***any*** *discipline or behavior issues in the class, they may choose to exempt the final exam.*

**Class Blog:**

https://sciencebymrsjones.weebly.com/

I will be updating the class blog at least every week. This is where you will be able to find class updates, announcements, and other important and valuable information. Please make sure you are checking it frequently, so you don’t miss anything! Also, if you are absent from class you should check there to get any missed notes.