**Hutchinson Middle School 7th Grade Science 2012-2013**

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**Course Goals:**

* To develop the skills necessary to carry out scientific investigations
* To develop student’s understanding of the interrelationships among science, technology, and society.
* To use higher-order thinking skills to solve problems and apply scientific principles
* To develop the social skills necessary to work cooperatively
* To use communication skills, written and verbal to convey understanding and mastery of new science knowledge

**Your grade will be based upon the following:**

* Daily assignments (homework, labs, projects)
* Quizzes and tests (based on learning objectives)

**Grading Scale Required Materials:**

 **A= 100-92 Composition Notebook**

 **B= 91-83 Notebook Paper (Wide Lined)**

 **C= 82-74 Pencil or Pen (Blue or Black Ink only)**

 **D = 73-65**

 **F = 64 and below**

**Classroom Expectations**

**1) Be Ready:** I expect students to be prompt, to bring appropriate materials, to submit homework punctually, and to be prepared to participate in class discussion.

**2) Be Respectful:** Students must be courteous and kind to the instructor, staff members, and fellow classmates. Students should not talk while the teachers or another classmate is speaking and should actively listen to the discussion. Students must also respect property that does not belong to them, such as classroom books, furniture, and lab equipment. They should also keep their hands and feet to themselves at all times. This classroom is a safe place of learning. Students should not do anything that would disrupt this safe, learning environment.

**3) Be Responsible:** Students must be responsible for their own behavior. They are expected to follow all classroom and school rules. They are expected to attend school and complete assignments. If a student misses class, he or she must check with the instructor upon return to determine what has been missed and to make-up class work. This includes students who miss for athletic events. Unexcused later work will receive reduced credit. We want students to be responsible for their learning.

**4) Be Nice and Work Hard:** Attitude is important to success at school and life. Students should demonstrate a good attitude and also make an effort to achieve the learning goals in class.

**I have read and understand above requirements. I will make an honest effort to follow the expectations of this class. If I do not follow above expectations, I will be given detention time to go over misbehavior or make up missing work. Parents will also be contacted. Lack of my following expectations may result in me not being allowed to participate in field trips or other pod activities.**

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