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**2023-24 Eagle Academy For Young Men Syllabus**

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| **Course & Grade Level** | **9th Grade Biology**  |
| **Room # /Meeting Time**  | Room 403 Period 2 9:07-9:47 Period 4 10:31-11:11 Period 5 11:13-11:53 |
| **Course Description** | This subject is designed to give students a general background of biological science.Biology is the study of life .Students will study life from the cellular, organism,population, and ecosystem level. This course will be divided into the following units : Unit 1 : Cells Unit 2 : GeneticsUnit 3 : Evolution Unit 3: Evolution Unit 4:Biodiversity Unit 5:Human : Making an ImpactUnit 6 : The Earth Past and Present  Students will also learn engineering skills that can be applied to their everyday lives.This course will introduce students to scientific reasoning. They will learn how to apply scientific reasoning to their everyday life. They will learn problem solving strategies through the NGSS three dimensional standards .These are problem solving strategies that they will be able to take outside of the classroom. Students will utilize hands-on activities, virtual labs, and various case studies to assist in providing an enriching scientific experience. **Assignments : Pacing Guide and Curriculum Link** <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_oouScg00mzKCG-Dca_pLuGUzZrHo4pkUE0c7H9oOuA/edit>  |
| **Required Materials** | Notebook Pen Pencil  |
| **Policies & Procedures** | Entering the Classroom : Students will enter their room quietly and put their cellphones in their book bags and leave their book bags in the front of the class. Do Now : During the beginning of class students will complete the Do Now activity that is posted on the board. It is expected that students will come into class quietly and write the date and their name on the top of the page and complete the . Do Now assignments should be written in complete sentences in order to obtain FULL CREDIT.Exit Ticket : The last 5-10 minutes of class students will complete their exit tickets. The exit ticket is an assessment tool used to measure student knowledge. Exiting the Classroom : Students are only allowed to exit the classroom once class time has ended. Students should not ask the teacher if they can leave class early unless there is a written pass from an administrator or teacher with notice in advance. Students should leave class at the end of class. Students are not allowed to linger around class after the end of the class. Chromebook Management : Students will each be assigned a chromebook number. Students will sign in and out the chromebooks each time it is used. Students are not allowed to bring chromebooks outside the classroom . There will be no exceptions. Students are expected to handle the chromebooks with care.Students should sign out the chromebooks and plug them back into the charger of the chromebook cart . Failure to plug back the chromebooks into the carts will result in classroom point deduction. Bathroom Pass: Students will only be allowed a bathroom pass after the first ten minutes and before the last ten minutes of class.Students will sign in and out of the bathroom using the bathroom log located in the front of the class. Students found lingering around the hall and abusing bathroom privileges will not be issued a bathroom pass. Students are allowed a maximum of 8 minutes to use the bathroom and come back to class. Students using the bathroom for more than 8 minutes will be deemed abuse of bathroom pass. Long visits to the bathroom takes away from student instructional time.  Cell Phone Policy : Cell Phones will be placed inside of the student bookbag during the entirety of the class. Cellphones cause several distractions to student learning .Dress Code : Students are expected to come to class in full uniform .Students should not wear hoodie and hats in class. Student Consequences : Students failure to adhere to classroom policy will result in loss of classroom participation points and student-teacher conferences . Students' continued failure to adhere to classroom policy will result in either detention, parental conference, disciplinary referral and seat change if applicable . Class disruption will not be tolerated. |
| **Grading Policy**  | **Category Percent of Grade****Summative Assessments 70%****Formative Assessments 30%****Summative Assessments** include, but are not limited to the following::unit tests, performance based assessments, project based assessments, portfolios, essays, mid term and final examinations. **Formative Assessments**  includes, but are not limited to the following: Do nows, daily instructional tasks, homework, drafts of essays, quizzes, exit tickets, standards mastery performance tasks, class participation Gradebook will be updated on Powerschool weekly/bi-weekly  |
| **Late/Make Up Work Policy** | Students have the opportunity to make up late work, without penalty under the following circumstances:* Excused absences
* Student missed class due to a trip or school based activity
* Student went home early, (must be documented in school sign out book)
* Bereavement
* Sickness/Hospitalization
* Failed assessment grade despite effort
* Extenuating Circumstances- (ex: black outs, natural disasters…)

Students have the opportunity to make up late work at a reduced percentage, with the following circumstances:* Conference with student and agree on missing assignments that they will complete
* Students are invited to make up work during office hours or after-school.

Students will not have the opportunity to make up work with or without penalty under the following circumstances:* Chronic late work submissions
* Engaging in disruptive classroom behaviors
* Cut class
* Came to class late without a valid late pass

Late/Make Up Work will be graded and put into Powerschool, two weeks after submission. Late Assignments will be subject to the following percentage reductions:* 1-7 days late- 20 % reduction
* 8-14 days late- 40% reduction
* 15+ days late work will NOT be accepted

Students can make up a total of **SIX** assignments per marking period.  |
| **Attendance & Tardiness Policy** | Attendance and punctuality are necessary for successful completion of this course. In the event that you have an excused absence it is your responsibility to obtain make-up work and/or reschedule any missed assessments. Makeup work will be placed in the yellow bin labeled makeup. If you missed class it is your responsibility to consult with the teacher and find your missing work in the yellow bin labeled MAKE UP ASSIGNMENTS. |
| **Classwork & Homework Policies** | Classwork Policies : Students are allowed to retake an exam but they will be required to complete the review assignment before re-taking the exam.Classwork assignments are expected to be completed on time. Late assignments as previously stated will result in a grade reduction . Classwork and homework assignments should be written in full sentences and effort is shown for full class participation points .Students should utilize anchor charts and working charts before asking the teacher for help. Students will demonstrate perseverance when completing classroom assignments Science research papers will be written in APA format Homework Policy : All assignments must be turned in on time. Late assignments will be accepted under the following conditions: a) the assignment is submitted at the beginning of the next class session, immediately following the due date [10 points will be deducted from the earned grade] AND b) the assignment has not been reviewed in class or graded/returned by the teacher.  |
| **Course Timeline**  |
| **MP #1:** **Sept. 5 - Nov. 9** | Unit 1 : Cells  |
| **MP#2:** **Nov. 10 - Jan. 24** | Unit 2 : GeneticsUnit 3 : Evolution  |
| **MP #3:** **Jan 29 - Apr. 12** | Unit 3: Evolution Unit 4:Biodiversity  |
| **MP #4:** **Apr. 13 - June 19** | Unit 5:Human : Making an ImpactUnit 6 : The Earth Past and Present  |
| **Student Signature** |  |
| **Parent Signature** |  |
| **Incentivize** | Ex: Students will receive 10 points if this form is signed and returned to class by 9/10.  |

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