



Welcome to Chemistry!

I. CONTACT INFORMATION

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II. COURSE OVERVIEW

Unit 1: Tools

Unit 4: Bonding

Unit 7: Stoichiometry

Unit 10: Equilibrium

Unit 2: Atoms

Unit 5: IMFAs

Unit 8: Gases

Unit 11: Acids/Bases

Unit 3: Periodic Table

Unit 6: Reactions

Unit 9: Energy

III. COURSE MATERIALS

- Pearson Chemistry (Wilbraham, et al.)
- Chemistry Workbook
- 3-Ring Binder
- Spiral Notebook
- Carbon-Copy Lab Notebook
- Pencils and Pens
- Scientific Calculator

IV. GRADING

1. Grade Breakdown

Your grade in the course will be composed of:

Summative assessments (65%), Labs (25%), and Homework (10%)

Your current grade in Infinite Campus will be your in-progress semester grade. At the end of the semester, I will round semester grades 0.5 and above.

Homework is assigned regularly so that you can practice and master the material. Day-to-day assignments (worksheets or pages from the workbook) will be checked in during class. These assignments are worth 1 point – all or nothing. If the assignment involves calculations, you must show your work in order to receive credit.

2. Late Work

If you are absent from class, you will have X+1 days to submit your missing assignment(s). "X" is the number of days you were absent. *For example: if you miss class on Monday, you will submit your homework from Monday and Tuesday on Wednesday.* This applies to day-to-day assignments ONLY. Lab reports must be submitted the day you return to class unless other arrangements have been made.

Lab reports: I will accept late lab reports, with penalty. For each day the lab is submitted late, there will be a 10% deduction (capped at 50% deduction). I will NOT accept late reports beyond 1 week of the original due date or the adjusted due date if you were absent.

V. COURSE EXPECTATIONS

1. During class...

In general, be prompt, prepared, engaged, and safe!

2. During labs...

Follow all safety guidelines outlined in the safety contract. Your safety is the #1 priority!

You are required to maintain a carbon-copy lab notebook that follows the guidelines reviewed in class. There will be a lab notebook quiz at the end of every quarter. You are accountable for every lab covered on each lab notebook quiz. If you miss a lab, you must make it up within two days of your return (schedule an appointment with me).

3. Academic Dishonesty

Your work in this course should accurately reflect your level of understanding. Academic dishonesty on any assignment (homework, labs, tests, etc.) is NOT tolerated and may result in a zero for that assignment. Policies outlined in the student handbook apply to issues of academic dishonesty.

4. Absences and Tardies

Absences: It is your responsibility to see me upon your return to get missing assignments.
Tardies: If you have 3 unauthorized tardies per semester, a behavioral referral will be given and a detention will be served.

5. Getting Help

It's okay if a concept does not "click" for you right away! If you need extra help, you can visit the ARC or arrange an appointment with me. The best way to reach me is through email – I will do my best to respond within 24 hours.

I look forward to a great year!

