**AP Biology**

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**Expectations of class**

1. Reading and completion of Chapter Study Guides are a must!!!

2. Attendance is a MUST!!!!!!

3. Must have had chemistry of currently taking chemistry to be successful in the class.

4. More in depth than biology and much more accelerated. Must keep up with

the reading, notes, and assignments.

5. There will be a quiz after every chapter and a multiple chapter test after every unit. The quizzes will be multiple choice and the unit tests will be one day multiple choice and take home essays. All tests will be standardized tests and possible questions on the AP exam. The essay questions will be comprehensive and may cover previous items during the coarse.

6. Labs will be an **important** part of the grade. There are multiple labs that will be required by the coarse, plus some additional ones to reinforce concepts.

7. Colleges are now requiring keeping a class portfolio to be created throughout the coarse. A 3-ring binder of all labs and the work you completed during the coarse is important.

7. Grading scale:

100-93 A 92-90 A-

89-86 B+ 86-83 B 82-80 B-

79-76 C+ 76-73 C 72-70 C-

69-66 D+ 66-63 D 62-60 D-

59-0 F

Weighting of grade will be as follows:

Unit Exams: 60%, Chapter quizzes: 20%, Labs and various assignments: 20%

8. Other Suggestions:

\*Read ALL chapters in each unit. The more general knowledge about Biology you can accumulate the more you will be able to synthesize the material on the exams and the lab write ups. Take notes in class and fill in details from your reading. Look up words you do not know. If you ever need assistance, see me. Come to class with questions.

\*Study some biology everyday and make it a habit. There are not always daily assignments to hand in but do not let that force you out of the habit of studying Biology everyday.

\*If you are absent, check with me as soon as possible so you do not miss any reading assignments or labs we did. If you are going to miss an extended period of time, get your assignments and keep up on the reading.

\*I will always be giving tips on how to answer questions on the AP exam and constantly be giving web sites to visit to review and practice questions. If I

am absent, I will expect you to look at those web sites for assistance. You

can find many interesting sites to help you learn more about biology. AP

biology is widely covered on the net and many biologists are very willing to

assist you in your learning.

9. AP classes are weighted classes.

10. Late work 50% credit one day late, 0% credit second day late

11. Test Book: BIOLOGY, Campbell, 8th ed. 2008

Suggested books for references:

AP Biology Cliff Notes

12. Test Date: Monday, May 11, 2015

13. Test Fee (due at testing) $ 87.00 payable to the school.