

Honors Chemistry Classroom Expectations

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Availability:

Room 174 4th Period

Before school/After School-

Please advise me ahead of time that you will be coming so that I may plan accordingly.



Class Description: Welcome to Honors Chemistry. Honors Chemistry is designed to prepare you for future high level study in science not limited to but including AP Chemistry.

Required Materials:

- Binder with loose leaf & 6-8 dividers for notes, activities, bellwork etc. It may be graded periodically.
- Covered text.
- A scientific calculator. (Does not need to be graphing.)
- Last Name A-L please bring one box of tissue, M-Z one expo marker.

Attendance and Tardies: School's policy is followed concerning attendance.

1. Unexcused absence = 0 for any work done that day. One make-up day per day excused absence.
2. For **excused absences*** from school you are required to see me sometime **before class on the day you return to turn in any past due work and to arrange to make up any missed test/quiz or labs (within the allowed time, 1 day per day excused absence). Past due work will be considered late if not turned in at this time.**
3. For any absence from class *other than absence from school*, (Ex: field trip, early release for sports, etc.) you must obtain the work that will be missed **before** the absence and turn it in on time with the rest of the class or it will be considered late.
4. Permission must be obtained from Ms. Quirarte to miss class **for any reason other than absence from school, field trip or early release for sporting events**. In addition, same rule applies as in #3 above.

*It is the responsibility of the student to make-up any work that is missed during an absence and seek assistance if necessary.

Student Evaluation/Late Work:

- Late assignments are worth 50% maximum. **No late work accepted after the test on the material.**
- **Assignments** reviewed in class when due cannot and *will not be accepted late*.
- **Missed Labs:** are difficult to make up due to time/equipment restrictions. When instructor deems it is not possible to make up a lab, a report ***will be*** required to replace it (75pts). The prelab assignment must still be turned in on time or will result in 0/25 points.
- **Graded work:** is returned the next day. Labs or projects are returned in approximately 1 week.
- **Ungraded Work:** Not all assignments are graded, however all assignments are designed to ensure complete understanding of the learning goals. Since test scores comprise the majority of your grade, it is advisable to complete all assignments to the best of your ability to reach your maximum potential on tests.
- **CHEATING** (or **plagiarism**) results in a zero (0) on the assignment. Repeat offenses may result in failure for the quarter/year.



<u>ASSIGNMENTS</u>	<u>OCCURRENCE</u>
Test & Quizzes (70% of grade) All other work (30% of grade)	Tests: 1 per Unit* Quizzes: 1-2 a week

*a unit may be 1 chapter or several chapters

Testing Policy (& Retesting): Tests are announced **approximately** one week in advance. Quizzes may be announced or unannounced (pop-quizzes). For the first quarter only*: if you achieve less than 70% on a test or unhappy with your achievement level on a test, you may retake the test. The new test will assess the same learning goals but will **not** be the same test. You may earn a maximum score of 85% on the re-test. In order to retake a test, a self-assessment of the test must be completed and you must make an appointment to review this assessment with me so that I can provide additional instruction, if necessary. This meeting may take five minutes, it may take an hour, it is driven by your needs. I am available before school 7am (or sooner) daily, as well as after school and 4th period by request.

***By second quarter it is expected that students are familiar with the testing format and expectations of the class.**

Classroom Expectations: *I expect a classroom of respect where time is used wisely. I do not expect perfection, but I do expect effort and a positive attitude. You can expect me to be organized, to provide you with activities and lab experiences to help you learn the material to the best of your ability, and to be happy and willing to help out in any way that I can.*



Major Class Rules:

1. Come to class. Come on time. Come prepared.
2. Be in your seat and ready to go when the bell rings!
3. Show respect toward all - Disrespect toward anyone is not acceptable.
4. Follow directions (especially safety rules).
5. Don't talk while another person has the floor (raise your hand).

Classroom Consequences:

Positive Consequences

Good grades
A fun experience
Special privileges
Ms. Quirarte's eternal gratitude

Negative Consequences

Verbal Warning
After class conference
Call home
ASR/ Office Referral

LAB POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

To ensure safety of all the following rules **MUST** be observed.

1. ****Horseplay or disruptive behavior is absolutely prohibited!**
2. Follow instructions the first time.
3. Confine loose hair and clothing.
4. Wear apron and goggles as required.
5. **Absolutely no** eating, chewing gum, or drinking in the laboratory.
6. Dispose of chemicals, glass, and paper waste as instructed.
7. No unauthorized or unsupervised experiments to be performed.
8. Open toed sandals with bare feet are **not acceptable** in the laboratory.
9. Replace materials to proper place when done.
10. Clean lab area before leaving lab.



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Student Name (please **print** legibly) _____

Student Signature _____

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- I have read and understand the class expectation.
- I have completed the parental survey at msquirartechem.weebly.com

Parent/Guardian Name (please **print** legibly) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Emails: In the survey I ask that you provide your email address in the event that I need to contact you to discuss the needs of your student. This email address will be used strictly for contact about your child. *****If you choose not to complete the survey please list your email below IF NOT ALREADY SUBMITTED ON THE EMERGENCY FORM:**

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