**Environmental Science Syllabus**

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**Course Description**
Environmental Science is an interdisciplinary field that draws from many areas of science to interpret how humans impact the environment around them. We will focus on conservation and protection of natural resources, environmental education and communication of what we learn, and environmental research around the world.

**If you need help…**

Please feel free to ask for additional help Mrs. Johnson will be available in Room 117 Tuesday and Wednesday 3:30- 4:15pm. If you need help outside of those times, please see Mrs. Johnson to set up additional time to work with you upon request.

**Notebooks**

Notes and assignments will be given in class and you are responsible for placing all classwork and homework in the notebook to keep the entire course.

 **Supply list**

**3 Ring binder w/ 6 dividers (one per unit), Colored Pencils, Glue sticks, Pencil/Pen Paper, calculator, and internet access**

**Schoology.com**

In order to keep up with class assignments it is mandatory that you join this classes’ Schoology account. Please go to [www.schoology.com](http://www.schoology.com) and sign up for an account and join our class group using this code: . This will be a place to ask questions, take quizzes & tests, and complete assignments. **Almost everything we do will be on Schoology!**

Parents can join the Schoology account by emailing me and requesting to join. I will email the parent code back to the parent upon request.

**Make up Policy/ Late Work Policy**
The student is responsible for all assignments that were given and collected during an absence. As detailed in the student handbook, a student will receive no credit for work missed during an **unexcused absence**. Missed work is to be made up before or after school and appointments made **within two days upon** return from an absence.Failure to do so will result in a **zero. All work missed due to ISS or OSS will be due upon return to the classroom or will result in a zero. Assignments given should be accessed through the Schoology class page. Late work will receive -50% points.**

 Make up sessions for missed tests and quizzes will be held by the science department on Tuesday morning 7:15-8:15am or Wednesday afternoon 3:30-4:30pm. The locations will be posted on the gray cabinet inside my room. It is your responsibility to make up work within one week of the absence or a **ZERO** will be given. For additional times please see me.

**Passes**

**Restroom passes are a privilege. You cannot leave the room within the first 10 or last 10 minutes of the class. You may not leave during instruction unless it is an extreme emergency. You are free to go during independent work, if you abuse this privilege or do not follow the rules in any way you will lose this privilege. 5 minute maximum. All students must sign out and sign back in when they return.**

**Expectations**.

1. Be on time and prepared. – Pick up papers on your way into class, be seated and ready to work when the bell rings.
2. Be courteous and respectful of all teachers and classmates. Any behavior that interferes with a proper learning environment will not be tolerated and dealt with accordingly.
3. Be safe. – Follow all lab and field safety rules. No food or drinks in science classroom. Proper attire is required for outdoor labs especially closed toed shoes!
4. Be neat and keep your area clean. Always clean up your area and keep bags under tables at all times.
5. Be honest. Cheating of any type will not be tolerated and will result in a zero, phone call home, and an administrative referral. The following are considered cheating:
* **Copying answers/work on homework, including calculations or short answers**
* **Copying and pasting information from the internet without using appropriate citations**
* **Using unauthorized materials on tests or quizzes for ex. Cell phones, notes, accessing internet while testing**

**Phones**

**Phones may be used during class for an approved activity. All phones, iPods, or other electronic devices will be placed in the cellphone holder in the front of the room during tests, quizzes or when they become a distraction. When phones are used for unapproved activities they will be placed in the cellphone holder for the remainder of the class period. Failure to follow this rule will result in a zero on the test/quiz and an administrative referral.**

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| **Category**  | **% of Grade** |
|  Tests | 30% |
| Quizzes | 20% |
| Homework/classwork | 15% |
| Labs/Projects | 15% |
| Final Exam | 20% |

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| **Cobb County Grading Scale** |
| 90%-100% | A |
| 80%-893 | B |
| 74%-79% | C |
| 70%-73% | D |
| 69% and below | F |

**Units of Study**

**Unit 1: Introduction to Environmental Science** (SEV5a, b, c, d)

**Unit 2: Matter and Energy** SEV1a, b, c, SEV2c

**Unit 3: Biomes (land & aquatic)** (SEV1a, b, d, e)

**Unit 4 Populations and biodiversity** (SEV2d, SEV4c, SEV5a, b, c)

**Unit 5: Pollution** (SEV2a, b, SEV4a, b, c)

**Unit 6: Global Climate Change**

**Unit 7: Types of Energy and Waste** (SEV3a, b, c, d, SEV4a)