

First and Last Name / Period:

## Course Objectives, Materials, Expectations and Information

### Course Objectives

- To develop a foundation in biological vocabulary and principles.
- To develop an awareness about the uniqueness and diversity of life.
- To develop an appreciation of the interrelationships among living organisms.
- To develop an understanding of some natural laws and their applications to life.
- To develop the concept of unity between structures and functions found in living organisms.



**Careers in Biology Visit:** [www.aibs.org/careers](http://www.aibs.org/careers)

### Materials

#### Daily to Class Requirements

5-7 Pocket Accordion Binder “Only” (for Handouts, Assignments, Labs, Tutorials, etc...)  
Composition Notebook “Only” (for Lecture Primarily)  
Colored Pencils (24+ Colors / High Quality)  
Pencil or Pen (Not Red or Gel)  
Loose Leaf Paper

#### Have on Hand Requirements

Textbook (tbd with Regards to eText)  
Chromebook (Charged and Ready)  
Earbuds/Headphones  
Calculator  
Gloves (tba)



*Please be aware that you may be asked to bring in certain items for labs and/or projects.  
Be responsible in bringing these items in especially if the task was agreed upon by you.*

### Expectations

*“Stop Signs for Dummies”*

- \* Follow all School Guidelines (see handbook for details).
- \* Permission and a hall pass are required before leaving the room.
- \* Include your first and last name and period number on all assignments/exams.
- \* No book bags or cell phones; however, phones can be placed in the designated area; also, no toys, drinks, food, hats, purses or coats/jackets.
- \* Be compliant, kind, prepared, courteous, moral, attentive, professional, considerate and pleasant.
- \* Unless announced, late work will not be accepted unless an agreement is made with a 10% deduction.
- \* Take thorough lecture notes, develop an efficient managing system, and employ effective study strategies.
- \* Alternative work, limited privileges, detention, timeout, office and/or parent notification, etc... may all be used as disciplinary actions.
- \* Any electronics found that are not for the purpose of this class are subject to being shelved, confiscated, and/or taken to the front office.
- \* Not being in the classroom or in your seat just before the bell; going to the restroom or the drinking fountain during class may be a tardy.
- \* Do not be absent from class. If absent, you are required to contact me “outside” of class (ie via email or before school) and not just prior to or during class; otherwise, it will be assumed that you are ready for class and any assignments when you return. Make-up exams, labs, assignments and/or activities may be subject to an alternative assignment in the form of an essay or another task. Such make-ups may result in an “excused” grade rather than a formal assessed grade given normally.



### Respect and Trust

*By Being Enrolled in This Course, You Are Agreeing to the Said Requirements, Information and Expectations Which May Be Subject to Change*

## Information

- \* Availability: ~715 am-745 am or ~310 pm-?, Prep or Homeroom (Schedule Outside Door / Google Classroom / Website)
- \* Classroom Website: [www.rm118.com](http://www.rm118.com)
- \* Email: [dbutler@swraiders.com](mailto:dbutler@swraiders.com) ; Phone: 765-728-5534

- \* Be aware of all emergency exits and procedures (Fire, Tornado, Earthquake and Lock-Downs).
- \* QUIA is an online program that will be setup for you to take surveys and several quizzes throughout the year.
- \* Communication is highly stressed: ie. via email, Google Classroom announcements, REMIND and/or with a visit.
- \* Failing the semester will NOT be an option; you alone are responsible for your own actions, decisions and choices.
- \* Shared Google Drive folders will contain most assignments and tutorials for your convenience, viewing and retrieval.
- \* Class study sessions will typically be during or after school; take advantage of them and any tutorial resources provided.
- \* Most homework assignments will be for minor points and used for enrichment, checking for understanding or formative assessment.
- \* eLearning assignments can be found on your shared Google Drive via Google Classroom; be sure to be ready and prepared accordingly.
- \* Extra credit is 20 points/9wks and not allowed after ~ 8wks of each 9wks. See classroom website for a yearlong extra credit assignment.
- \* The point system will be employed. There will be no weighing or curving of grades. Discretionary points at the end of the 9wks may be given if a student who is in need of a higher grade; but shows respect, a willingness to try, get help, ask questions, responds to feedback and/or shows growth. For each semester grade, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 9wks will count 40% of that semester grade. The comprehensive midterm and final will count 20% of that semester grade. Grades will primarily be based on science core criterion standards and objective performance assessments.



### REMIND Sign-Up

After information is provided, text the following codes to the required number.  
Students should only signup as “students” and parents/guardians only as “parents/guardians”.

General Biology	Text: @genbio118	To: 81010
Botany and Zoology	Text: @botzoo118	To: 81010
Advanced Biology	Text: @advbio118	To: 81010
Anatomy and Physiology	Text: @anaphy118	To: 81010
Parents/Guardians	Text: @swbiology	To: 81010

### Google Classroom Sign-Up

After information is provided, visit Google Classroom for information about the class, links to shared drives, occasional announcements, access for eLearning assignments, etc...

Place Your Invitation Code(s) Here  
(to be provided)



### eText Sign-Up for Advanced Classes Only

After information for setup, codes, user/pw, and registration is provided go to the following website or via Google Classroom for your eText.

Botany and Zoology: BOTZOO11E	<a href="http://www.masteringbiology.com">www.masteringbiology.com</a>
Advanced Biology: ADVBIO11E	<a href="http://www.masteringbiology.com">www.masteringbiology.com</a>
Anatomy and Physiology: ANAPHY11E	<a href="http://www.masteringaandp.com">www.masteringaandp.com</a>

### Biology Club Sign-Up

Open to any 9-12 student willing to truly participate and be active in science and the community, go the following website for information and membership sign-up.

[bioclub.weebly.com](http://bioclub.weebly.com)