

Physical Science
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Curriculum Night 2011

Class Overview: This course will introduce you to the concepts of basic science, scientific research, chemistry and physics with an emphasis on where this science can be seen in application today. The format of the class will be wide ranging. The exact format will be constantly changing in an effort to be certain that each and every learning style is accommodated.

Materials: Textbook –Science Explorer: Physical Science
Frank, Jones, Little, Miaoulis, Miller, Pasachoff, Wainwright
Person Prentice Hall

3 ring binder
Loose-leaf paper
Pen/pencil
Calculator

Website: www.phschool.com

Work: Work is to be done in class or at home. The work will be reviewed, checked and corrected. All work should be stored in the binder.

Quizzes and Tests: Students will be well notified of either a quiz or a test

Labs will be assigned with a due date.

Exit Tickets: 1-5 point quizzes given without notice.

Current Applications will be due every Friday by 8:05.

Extra Credit: I give lots and lots of work. Students that stay current with all their work should not need extra credit even if they are having difficulty on test. 1 point per “Science in the News” articles may be earned.

Exams: Are scheduled for January 11, 2012 and May 18, 2012. Study guides will be given.

Rule of Thumb: Do all of your work, study the completed work and tests will take care of themselves.

Grading Policy

Students will be graded on a point system. You can figure the grade by dividing how many points earned by the total points possible. **Work will be accepted one day late with a 50% penalty. Copied or plagiarized homework will not be tolerated or accepted.**

Grading Scale

93 – 100%	A
85 –92%	B
77 – 84%	C
70 –76%	D
69% & below	F

***Remember it is the students' **RESPONSIBILITY** to see me for make up work and schedule make up tests. I will not chase students for missing assignments or make up tests!

Contact Information

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Please leave a message and I will respond as soon as possible.
Email will be the most efficient and effective way of keeping touch!

I look forward to working with you this year!

Curriculum Overview for Physical Science:

Quarter 1	Scientific method and skills (1) Force (10-11) Energy & Work (12-13) Motion (9)
Quarter 2	Heat (14) Waves (15) Light (17-18)
Quarter 3	Matter (2-3) Atoms and Periodic Table (4-5)
Quarter 4	Chemical reactions (6) Solutions & Acids and bases (7) Electricity/Magnetism(19-20)