



Lacanlale Biology Distance Learning

This syllabus is subject to change based on the fluid nature of the 2020-2021 school year.

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Remind:

Google Classroom Codes: Found on Aries for your period

Biology is the study of living organisms, their origins, how they survive, reproduce, change over time, and interact with each other and their environments. The primary objectives of Biology are to provide students with a fundamental understanding of biology and scientific processes established by the Next Generation Science Standards Framework, in addition to building a foundation for success in future honors or AP science classes and prepare them for college. Course material is roughly divided into ecology, molecules and cells, genetics, evolution and body systems. The nature of science will be integrated throughout the year.

Biology is a requirement for graduation. Biology is a challenging course but it will prepare you for the rigors of science here at Yucaipa High School. Biology curriculum will help you analyze data, develop critical thinking skills and understand what life is.

Follow these simple class expectations to ensure success:

- **Be Prompt** - Be logged on to Google meets before the period starts and begin working immediately on any posted assignments.
- **Be Prepared** - Complete ALL assignments on or before their due date and time and be ready to ask questions on material you do not understand.
- **Be Polite** - Work as a team and respect all individuals - we do a TON of group work, you need to be ready to work with anyone and everyone in class with a good attitude and without a cell phone!! Cell phones are to be off and put away in another room during Google Meets!!
- **Be Present** - Pay attention and focus during Google Meets and breakout sessions. Listen intently and learn actively. Again NO phones!!
- **Be Proactive** - Actively engage with the material in and out of class. Ask questions, discuss, collaborate, and THINK!! If you are feeling overwhelmed or behind, schedule a tutoring session during my office hours.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM:

All students will be expected to make good use of the Biology on Google Classroom.

Google Classroom is updated almost daily and contains all important assignments and due dates. It is STRONGLY suggested that students download the app on their phones.

- **Students are expected to pay attention to the due dates and times listed in Google Classroom.**

REMIND:

All students are expected to join the remind app(found in your app store):

I send out frequent reminders and I am available to answer questions outside of class time via remind. If you get stuck on an assignment, concept or have a question, don't wait, ask right away! I really enjoy my job and I'm available to help you as often as you need it, however if you message me after 7pm I will most likely not see it until the next day.

ONLINE GRADING: All grading is done via AERIES.

- Students and Parents are able to access grades at any time by visiting <https://abi.ycjud.us/portalaccess/LoginParent.aspx?page=default.aspx>
- Grade Categories
 - **60% Major Assessments** – Unit Tests, Formal Lab Reports, Projects and Final Exam
 - **40% Minor Assignments** – Weekly Homework, Quizzes, Notebook Checks, Assignments and Mini Labs – These assignments are designed to let you practice skills and receive feedback before more formal assessments
- All work will be graded on a 1-10 point system.
- Homework and Formative Assignments will be marked for completion using a 0-1 point system.

HOMEWORK / LATE WORK POLICY

1. Assignments are only given credit if they are turned in on their due date. **NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED!!**
2. If you have an emergency contact me immediately **BEFORE** the due date and we will work something out.

CHEATING / PLAGIARISM

1. You are expected to do your own work at all times on all assignments.
2. Copying from or lending your work to a copier is a form of cheating and has harsh consequences.
3. Should I catch any form of cheating; **all persons involved** will receive a 0 on the assignment.
4. In all cases of cheating or plagiarism, students will be reported to the assistant principal.

TESTS/QUIZZES

1. Tests are cumulative and will consist of multiple choice questions, select all that apply questions and short answer free response questions. A study guide will be provided for all unit exams.
2. Students **will not be able to retake test or quizzes.**
3. If you know you are going to be absent on a test day, arrange a time with me to take the test **BEFORE** your absence and the scheduled test. If an emergency arises on a test day contact me via Remind or Email **BEFORE** the test starts or you will not be allowed to make it up.
4. Quizzes will be given weekly to assess topics and check for understanding.

LABS/PROJECTS

1. A project will be assigned each semester.
2. Formal lab reports **MUST** be on google docs and submitted on google classroom.
3. **If labs are not turned in on the assigned due date no credit will be given.**

HOMEWORK / NOTES

1. Note taking is to be done in a composition notebook, 3 ring binder or spiral notebook.
2. Title every assignment
3. Notes are **Cornell style** double column format on the right side paper (front) only.

FINAL EXAM

1. 1st semester final exam will be a cumulative exam covering 1st semester topics.
2. 2nd semester final exam will be a cumulative exam covering 2nd semester topics.

***Welcome to Biology! I look forward to an exciting and rewarding school year. ***

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the human anatomy course syllabus guidelines.

You can print this sheet or make a google doc saying that you and your parent(s) have agreed to the terms and conditions of the syllabus. Please upload document in google classroom under the assignment class syllabus.

STUDENT NAME: _____ Class Period: _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN Email: _____