



WELCOME TO 8TH GRADE SCIENCE 2019-20
Ms. Sacchetti

http://herberg.pittsfield.net/staff_directory/grade_8_staff/ms_sacchetti_s_science_class

What You're Going to Need:

- 1 1/2" 3 Ring Binder (loose leaf notebook) with paper and 6 dividers, **not a bound or spiral notebook** (*See notebook expectations)
- Scientific Calculator - optional, but so much better to have your own calculator!
- Pens and Pencils

Class Work (50%):

- Class assignments count the most toward your overall grade. It is expected that any work not completed in class (due to an absence or the inability to finish in the time given) be completed outside of class time.
- ****Please hand in completed work that is started in class when it is due.**
- Work not turned in on time effects the flow of learning. Late points may be deducted when work is not turned in on time.

Quiz and Test Expectations:

- Quizzes and tests will be announced in advance (You should have plenty of time to prepare.)
- **Some projects may be counted as either a test or a quiz, or may be double weighted.** You will be informed of the weight in which a project/lab holds.
- **Projects and Lab Reports must be in on the date they are due. There is a strict adherence to due dates for projects and labs.** You will be given a clear time guideline when projects or lab reports are due. 10 points a day will be deducted for late projects/lab reports. (If a project or a lab report is due on a Friday, it may be considered two days late if handed in on the following Monday.) **Most lab reports will count as a test.**
- ****Any work that is plagiarized may result in an automatic zero! Copying is cheating. This includes letting someone copy your work, or copying someone else's work. Take this seriously!**
- If you are **absent during the time a lab/quiz/test** is given, you must make arrangements for a make-up time. **Tests, quizzes, and labs, may have to be made up after school.**
- Your science ***notebook** may be **graded** quarterly. Notebooks should be divided by **unit sections and ordered by date**. This will include all assignments and notes covered for a unit section (all notes should be dated), labs covered for a unit section, and quizzes taken during a unit section. When a unit section is over, a test will be given that and when returned will be placed at the end of a unit section. All unit sections should be divided using a notebook divider.
- **Quizzes count as 20% and tests count as 30% of your grade.**

Extra Help:

I want you to do well and will do what I can to help you, but you must come to get help if you need help. This helps! After school “**Extra Help Day**” is offered usually on **Tuesdays**. You must let Ms. Sacchetti know **in advance** if you are coming.

School & Class Rules:

- I listen, acknowledge, and respond to directives and requests.
- I stay safe and respect others’ personal space.
- I respect and value everyone’s individual and group identity.
- I arrive on time, stay in class, and have a pass or permission to travel in public spaces within the school.

I’m looking forward to getting to know you and hope you enjoy your year in grade 8 science! ~Ms. Sacchetti

I, (print name) _____ have read the
"Welcome To 8th Grade Science" expectations for Ms. Sacchetti's 8th grade science class.
**Signing this paper acknowledges you have read the expectations and understand
what is expected of you.** Thank you.

Student Signature:

I/We, (print name) _____ have read the
"Welcome to 8th Grade Science" expectations for Ms. Sacchetti's class. **Signing this
paper acknowledges what is expected of your daughter/son in science.** Thank you.

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Please return this signed paper to Ms. Sacchetti (Room 135).