

Chemistry Course Syllabus

Grades will be determined by the following components.

1. Notebooks, Projects, Lessons

- assignments should be neat and organized in a notebook; this includes class work, homework, notes and other class materials
- assignments will be checked daily and notebooks will be graded every 2-3 weeks
- assignments completed on time will earn full credit, assignments completed late will receive no more than half credit
- late work will be accepted for partial credit for 2 days after the due date
- lessons will be posted on class website and should be completed in a timely manner, working ahead is good but falling behind is bad
- *worth 20% of overall grade*

2. Lab Safety & Participation

- lab must be prepped before the class period in which it will be completed
- all safety practices and procedures followed during the lab
- each lab partner must be on task during the lab
- failure to honor safety rules may result in the dismissal from all future labs
- *worth 5% of overall grade*

3. Lab Reports

- a full lab report is due the day after the completion of the lab
- lab report must be submitted via google docs/drive
- if a student has an excused absence the day of the lab they have no more than 1 week to make it up
- *worth 20% of overall grade*

4. Assessments

- concept quizzes will be administered on a regular basis
- mastery of a concept will be demonstrated on quizzes; once the concept has been mastered twice (a score of 4 on 2 separate quizzes) the student is no longer required to complete questions related to that concept on any quiz
- each concept is worth 5 points when fully mastered
- *Worth 45% of overall grade*

5. Final Exam

- final exam will be given at the end of each term and is cumulative
- *worth 10% of overall grade*

Classroom Rules

1. Be seated and working when the bell rings
2. Make the best use of time and abilities
3. Respectful, polite language and comments only
4. No food, drinks (other than water), candy, gum, etc.
5. Follow all lab and safety directions
6. Solve your own problems whenever possible

Grade Scale

	-		+	level
A	87 - 90%	91 - 95%	96 - 100%	advanced
B	76 - 79%	80 - 83%	84 - 86%	proficient
C	66-68%	69 - 72%	73-75%	basic
D	56 - 58%	59 - 62%	63 - 65%	
F		0 - 55%		

Discipline Contract

- It is the desire of the Dinuba High School faculty and administration that every student has the opportunity to learn and develop academically, as well as socially. Consequently, negative, disruptive behavior will not be tolerated. If a student chooses to behave inappropriately, he/she will be asked to sign a discipline contract. If a student continues to behave inappropriately, the consequences dictated in the Assertive Discipline Contract will be implemented.

Absence Policy

- Due to the material covered during the year long course, regular attendance is crucial in mastering the subject content. It is the responsibility of the student to obtain the material missed during an absence. All students will be expected to maintain a current table of contents in their notebook that will be used to determine the work that should be completed.
- If the student has an excused absence, he/she may make up the work. Any work that was assigned before the absence is due the day he/she returns. The student will be given 1 day for each day missed to make-up work that was assigned while he/she was absent.

Late Work Policy

- Late work will be accepted for half credit within 2 days of the due date.

Technology Use Policy

- This course will be conducted through a blended experience of online and face to face interactions. The students will be provided with Chromebooks while in class. Should they need access to the internet outside of class there are computers available in the library and career center before and after school.
- Students are expected to behave in accordance with the Acceptable Use Policy that was signed during registration. The teacher reserves the right to remove a student's access to technology while in the classroom as necessary.

Parent Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

*Syllabus is subject to change at any point.