



# Guidelines for Success

## Mrs. Misty Merkens



### Welcome to 7<sup>th</sup> grade science!

I expect students to give their very best effort so they can have a successful school year. Following these guidelines will help make that happen.

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Conference:

**A days 1st period**

**B days 5th period**

\*Call or email for appointment please

### Join our **GOOGLE CLASSROOM!**

2nd period: **4epv4f6**

3rd period: **dcceeoA**

4th period: **noqvrxf**

6th period: **qu4stnl**

7th period: **6rz5ujs**

8th period: **cy65mzj**

- **Course Description:**

*7<sup>th</sup> Grade science integrates many disciplines of science (life, earth, chemistry) and their interaction. The main focus will be life science.*

- **Supplies Needed:**

*One composition notebook  
multiple glue sticks and or tape  
Pen and pencils  
Colored pencils  
Scissors*

- **Textbook:** Students will have access to the textbooks online. Students may **access the textbook online from their student portal. Look for the THINK CENTRAL tile.**

- **Grading Scale:** *Major Grades 50% Minor Grades 50%*

- **Major Objectives:**

*1<sup>st</sup> 9 weeks – Lab Safety, Scientific Method, Cells, Human Body Systems*

*2<sup>nd</sup> 9 weeks – Human Body Systems, Plant Systems, Reproduction and Genetics*

*3<sup>rd</sup> 9 weeks – Adaptations, Flow of Energy, Organisms and Their Environments*

*4<sup>th</sup> 9 weeks – Organisms and Their Environments, Earth Systems, Solar System Characteristics*

### **Online Class Information**

- My webpage is on the Boerne ISD website at [www.boerne-isd.net](http://www.boerne-isd.net). On it you will find contact info and the link to google classroom. Everything you will need for class will be posted on google classroom.

### **Student Planners**

- You must have it with you every day.
- The student planner is used to record homework assignments, projects, and test dates.
- You must have your planner to leave the classroom to go to the restroom, locker, etc.

### **Materials for Class**

- Bring all materials to class with you every day. This includes your planner, science INB, scissors, pen, pencil, colored pencils and tape/glue stick. (Composition books can be left in the classroom.) I would suggest having a zipper pouch with glue sticks or tape, colored pencils and scissors in your backpack.

### **Entering the Classroom**

- Walk into the room calmly, grab any papers that are under the goggle cabinet and sit at your assigned seat. You should be in your seat before the tardy bell rings.
- Update your planner from the agenda on the board, and then begin working on the Do Now.
- Because of COVID-19, It is very important that you not wander around the classroom.

### **Leaving Class**

- If you need to leave class ( restroom, etc.), ask for permission, fill out the pass in your planner, then place it in the bin by the door. Sign out on the clipboard by the door. Upon return, sign the time in.
- You may not leave the first 10 or last 10 minutes of class.
- When the bell rings at the end of class, I will dismiss the students from class. Do not automatically leave when the bell rings.

### **Classroom Behavior**

- No horseplay at any time in the classroom
- Leave other students' possessions alone
- No "side talking" when the teacher is talking
- Raise your hand and wait to be acknowledged before speaking
- Speak with good purpose
- Work cooperatively with peers
- When I need your attention, I will say "class", you will answer with "yes" and the room will be quiet.

### **Furniture**

- Do not write on tables, chairs, or counters (even with an eraser).
- Do not lean back (or forward) in your chair.

### **Science Equipment**

- Occasionally, you may enter the room to find equipment and/or lab materials on the counters, on your table, or on my desk. Please leave all equipment alone until you have been given instructions to use them for the activity that day.

### **Heading**

- Your heading goes in the upper right corner of the paper and it should have the following information:

Name Date Period
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### Graded Assignments and Tests

- Always have homework ready to grade at the beginning of the period on the due date.
- Always study for tests.
  - Students scoring below a 70 on a major test will be given an opportunity to take a retest within a one week time period after you receive your original score. If taking a retest, be sure to study!
  - NEVER, NEVER, NEVER throw science papers away until I tell you to do so. EVERYTHING WILL BE GLUED IN YOUR SCIENCE INB.

### Extra Credit

- No extra credit opportunities will be given. If you do all your homework to the best of your ability, turn homework in on time, and study for tests, you will not need extra credit.

### Late Work-BISD Policy

- Late work is any assignment not turned in by the announced date and time, with the exception of work for absences or approved school activities.

<b>Max Grade</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>0% Credit</b>
Timeline	1 class	2 classes	Over 2 classes

### Make-up Work

- It is your responsibility to check the google classroom to see what you have missed.
- You may also check the absent tub for the work that you missed.
- Make-up work must be handed in the following class period after you return to class.
- You have one extra day for each day missed to turn in your work.
- If you have been absent multiple days, come see me. I will work with you on the due dates.

### Emergency Drills

- During emergency drills you are expected to be silent and listen for instructions.

### Classroom rules

- **Come to class prepared** #Ontime #InYourSeatWhenBellRings #SuppliesEveryday
- **No Cell Phones** #NoTexts #NoPictures #PhoneJail #OutOfSight
- **Be respectful** #TheTeacher #TheClassroom #Yourself #GiveItToGetIt
- **Work Hard** #SaveTheExcuses #MistakesAreOk
- **Stay Seated** #NoRoamingMyRoom #Ask ForPermission #StayOnTask
- **Be Kind** #orbequiet