

Perkins Middle School 6th Grade Science Syllabus

Course Description: In 6th Grade Science, students conduct field and laboratory investigations, use scientific methods during investigations, and make informed decisions using critical thinking and scientific problem solving. Students study a variety of topics in Physical Science including Atomic Structure, Force and Motion, Mass and Density, as well as Space Science.

Attendance: School begins at 7:43 a.m., however, breakfast will be served from 7:30-7:40 a.m. in 1st Period class. Students are expected to attend class regularly and to arrive to all classes on time. Parents and home visitors will be contacted when a student has more than 3 absences.

Tardies: Students should be in the classroom when the tardy bell rings and should be ready to begin class. Tardies will be disciplined with detention after school, phone call to parent, office referrals, ISS, or even OSS.

Make-Up Work: If you are absent, then you are RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING UP ANY WORK THAT IS MISSED. Ask me for the make-up work, notes or Tests/Quizzes. You may ask a fellow classmate for any missed notes and/or missed words of the day.

Retesting: You are RESPONSIBLE for asking for a Retest if you have failed a Test/Exam. (Quizzes CANNOT be retested.) The highest grade that you can get for a Retest is a "70." If you do NOT ask for a Retest, then you are essentially accepting the failing grade. Retests must be taken within 2 weeks after viewing the failing test grade. Retests will NOT be allowed more than 2 weeks after receiving the failing grade.

Projects: You will have several projects throughout the school year. Supplies may be requested at different times throughout the year in order for you to complete the projects. Timelines for projects must be followed in order to receive a complete grade. All projects will count as a major assessment during that marking period.

Class Rules:

1. Be respectful of others
2. Do **NOT** talk out of turn
3. Come to class **prepared and on time**
4. No gum, food or drinks allowed in class
5. Stay seated at your desk during class
6. I dismiss the class NOT the bell.

Discipline: The student will be disciplined as per BISD and Perkins Administration protocols. After school detention will be given to students who misbehave, are tardy, and/or break class rules.

Binder:

A. Dividers of binder:

1. Notes
2. Vocabulary
3. Daily Work/Homework
4. Tests/Quizzes
5. Labs

B. Format for binder:

1. Cover Sheet
2. Class Syllabus (Signed)
3. Safety Contract (Signed)
4. Science Safety **Rules**
5. Science Safety **Symbols**
6. Dividers (as stated above)

C. Binder, Composition Book, 5-Subject Interactive Notebook, and the Word of the Day Spiral Notebook will be checked periodically.

Science Fair: A time line will be given to students that are interested in participating in the Science Fair.

I have read the information on this sheet and I understand what is expected from me.

Student Signature

Date

I have read the information on this sheet and I understand what is expected from my child.

Parent Signature

Date