

## Mr. Bower's Science Syllabus 2010-2011

### Junior High School Science TAKS Class / Integrated Physics and Chemistry / Biology / Chemistry

*This syllabus is a graded assignment. It is due within three school days of receiving it.*  
*(For those of you receiving it on the first day of school, it is due by Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010.)*

#### I. Rules

- A. Follow all school rules and follow the class rules. The Class Rule is “*Do the Right Thing.*”

Some examples of doing the right thing are:

1. Be respectful to the teacher, your classmates, all school staff, and all visitors.
2. Be kind and considerate to everyone, and maintain a polite, positive demeanor.
3. Follow Thumper's Rule- "If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all."
4. Be on time to class, with all required supplies, and any homework that may be due.
  - a. If you were absent the day before, you must bring a signed entry pass from the office with you. If you forget, you will be given a tardy, and sent back for one.
  - b. I do not accept late work without a signed note from your parent explaining why the work is late. Any work not turned-in on time will be given a grade of “0.”
5. Have all necessary materials ready for class. *Have these items everyday:*
  - a. Your science textbook
  - b. Your homework ready to turn-in on-time (**I do NOT accept late work!**)
  - c. Pencils with erasers (Pens, markers, highlighters, etc. are NOT allowed.)
  - d. 1” standard three-ring rigid binder (NOT a flexible binder) and 7 dividers
  - e. *Anything else that the teacher asks you to have*
6. Do not lean your chair back, and do not put your feet on chairs, tables, etc.
7. This year we have new tables to use. In keeping with the MISD Code of Conduct, if you are caught damaging the new tables (or anything else in our classroom) you have committed a student code of conduct violation; you will receive an office referral and you will be reported to the principal immediately. (“Students at school... are prohibited from: damaging or vandalizing property owned by the District or District employees. Graffiti markings on ... public property is a state jail felony...)
8. **Follow all federal, state, and county laws; follow all school and class rules!**

**II. Grading**

- A. Minor Grades (Homework/ Classwork/ Daily Assignments/ Etc.) 50%
- B. Major Grades (Chapter Tests/ Major Projects/ Etc.) 50%

**III. Supplies**

- A. I will require various supplies and materials throughout the year, as they become needed.
- B. To start the year, please make sure you have all materials listed on the front of this sheet.
- C. I do not accept assignments turned in on paper that is torn or crumpled. If you use a spiral notebook, it must be a three-hole, micro-perforated notebook. *Wireless* notebooks are best.

**IV. Spending Class Time Productively**

- A. “On-Task” behavior is expected at all times. Every student is ultimately responsible for their own education. There are two general class requirements. First, every student must do their own personal best at all times, including academically, intellectually, and behaviorally. Second, and more importantly, **no student is allowed to interfere with the education of another student**. Any student causing any other student to not be able to perform at their highest level, whether through distraction or disruption, will result in discipline for the offending student, and possible removal from the classroom.
- B. Violations of school or classroom rules will result in one or more of the following:
  - 1. Warning / Student-Teacher Conference
  - 2. Changed Seating, Time-Out, and / or Written Discipline (lines, pages, essays, etc.)
  - 3. Parent-Student-Teacher Conference
  - 4. Office Referral

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_