

# Mr. Hood – Chemistry – Physics

Tutorials: advisory 8:44-9:10 and 3:30-4:00

You can call me at night before 10:00 pm (323-8651) if you have any questions.

## Class/Lab Rules:

### 1. **Come to class prepared.**

You must bring your textbook, notes, and calculator EVERY day.

### 2. **Do not disrupt class.**

Any verbal or nonverbal actions that prevent you or others from learning will not be allowed.

### 3. **Keep hands, feet and objects to self.**

There will be no horseplay in class or in lab. No thrown objects (pencils, books, etc.) or shoving, tripping, hitting, etc. will be allowed in class or in lab. A violation in lab will result in you sitting out of the lab that day and making it up after school.

### 4. **Follow directions.**

In class, you will follow along with me when reading, discussing topics, and practicing problems on the board. In lab, you will follow only the procedure we develop in class. No unauthorized experiments will be performed. Safety eye protection will be worn EVERY day in lab.

## Rewards

You will be rewarded for proper behavior in class and the lab! If you receive no warnings, you will receive a 100 as a lab safety grade at the end of the six weeks.

## Consequences

1. 3 Warnings
2. ½ page dictionary
3. 1 page dictionary
4. 2 pages dictionary
5. 2 pages dictionary + go to the principal

Chemistry and Physics are college preparatory classes. Therefore, the expectations are higher than in classes you have taken before. In assigning homework, only the MINIMUM to succeed will be given. Therefore it is imperative that you do ALL problems assigned (there are more in the book you can try if you need more practice). There will be no late homework accepted. All homework will be clearly assigned on the board days before it is due.

Because these classes require math computation, it is required that every student obtain and keep a functioning scientific calculator and bring it to class EVERY day. These are not expensive (about \$10 at Wal-Mart). A scientific calculator has the EE or EXP key to enter a number in scientific notation.

I have read the above and understand what I must do in class.

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

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

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## Chemistry Grading Policy

I will assign homework every chapter, and most chapters will have two grades.

The first grade will be problems from the book (or worksheets). I will give some problems in the chapter itself. You will work these selected problems on your notebook paper. We will go over these problems in class 1-2 days after assigned. This means every student will have correctly worked problems to study. I will also give a chapter review. I will select (usually) 10-15 problems from the end of the chapter to be graded the day before the test, as a review for the test. These problems will be clearly assigned on the board during the chapter. No late homework will be accepted

The second grade will be working on computer programs (some in class and some out of class). These programs can be done as many times as you need to be successful, so everyone can have a 100 on this assignment!

Each homework grade will go down **one time** in the gradebook.

During some chapters, we will have a quiz on certain topics. These quizzes will go down **twice** in the gradebook.

We will go to lab usually once per chapter once we learn some chemistry (more or less depending on the material covered). We will develop a lab procedure and take data in a lab notebook (a spiral, “composition notebook”, or any bound tablet). A lab report will be assigned and will be due 2-3 days after lab work is completed (this date will be posted clearly on the board). Lab reports will go down **twice** in the gradebook.

Tests will be given at the end of the chapter. Students may use the STAAR formula reference page on the test, which will be curved with the top grade as 100. Test grades will go down **three times** in the grade book.

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If you have any questions about this class, please come by the school and ask me or feel free to call me at home (323-8651).

Wade Hood

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

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

(If this is signed and returned the next day, your student will get bonus points)