



## AP Biology– Hutcherson Classroom Guidelines

In order to maintain an atmosphere conducive for learning, each student has the following responsibilities:

1. Be in class and in your seat **on time**. This means by the time the bell rings and not as the bell is ringing or after!
2. **Be prepared**. You are to bring a pencil/pen, paper, and your book **every day**. A three ring binder/folder is strongly recommended.
3. Please take care of the textbooks! Book covers are strongly recommended.
4. Keep all papers in your binder. **NO** papers are to be kept in your textbook. Placing them in the book ruins the binding. Once again, detentions will be assigned. You are also financially responsible for the book and fines will be assigned.
5. Turn in homework on time. Late homework may not be accepted or may receive point deductions. If you are absent, school policy for make-up work will be followed.
6. **NO** electronic devices (cell phones, mp3 players, etc.) are allowed on during class time. Failure to power down all devices will result in a write up.
7. **NO ONE** is allowed in the laboratory without permission. Entering the laboratory without prior authorization will result in a write up.

### **Additional Guidelines:**

1. There is **NO** food, beverages, or gum allowed in class unless the office has told me otherwise. This means that there is to be **NOTHING** in your mouth at any time during class.
2. **Mature behavior** and **common courtesy** is required at all times. For instance, there is no running, rude or profane talk, sitting on desks or lab tables, throwing anything, etc. You are expected to conduct yourselves as young adults at all times. Any behavior that interferes with my teaching or others' learning will be dealt with immediately.
3. **Safety** is a must. All behavior is expected to meet all and any safety guidelines for and in any situation. Specific directions will be given before the start of any lab and are expected to be followed.

## Grading:

Every student has an equal opportunity for success. Grades are based on tests, quizzes, homework, and labs. Correct grammar and punctuation is expected. Therefore, a portion of the grade for all written work will be based on the use of correct grammar and punctuation. The class is based on 3 categories. The grading scale follows:

93 - 100	A	Test	= 50%
90 - 92	A-	Classwork	= 25%
87 - 89	B+	Lab work	= <u>25%</u>
83 - 86	B		100%
80 - 82	B-		
77 - 79	C+		
73 - 76	C		
70 - 72	C-		
67 - 69	D+		
63 - 66	D		
60 - 62	D-		
59 or below	F		

**I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE GUIDELINES AND RULES:**

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Student signature and date

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Parent signature and date

