

Mr. Goodwin's Advanced Regents Earth Science Course Guidelines

1. Please be ON TIME. If you are late you will be assigned lunch detention. After 3 late arrivals, a phone call home will be made and a referral will be written. If you skip a lunch detention a referral will be written.
2. BE IN CLASS – Attendance is Critical
 - If you are absent it is your job to check Google Classroom or with me for the assignment(s) from the day(s) you were out. The missed assignments are due the day you return. I WILL NOT ASK YOU FOR THE WORK.
3. CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR
 - Be POSITIVE!!! –No put-downs or inappropriate language and no physical misconduct. Disciplinary action will be taken for each offense.
 - Prohibited items as stated in the student handbook
 - Cell phones, ear buds, I-pods, video games, any other electronic devices
 - No eating or drinking anything except for water
 - Please don't write on the desks or in the textbooks
4. ORGANIZATION/CLASS MATERIALS
 - This is a paper intensive course. You will need to bring your Chromebook with you to class every day. You will also need a folder or notebook to keep Classwork, lab papers and your Reference Tables. You will be writing a lot of things down so you need to be organized. The folder and/or notebook needs to come to class everyday. You MUST have your Earth Science Reference Tables (ESRT) with you EVERY DAY!!
 - Pens (blue/black ink) & pencils
 - Loose leaf paper
 - Non-graphing calculator (not a cell phone)
 - 1 box of colored pencils
 - Google Classroom App

5. HOMEWORK

- Homework will be assigned and is due the following day. Homework WILL NOT be accepted late. Homework will be turned in on Google Classroom and/or each day in class. Since homework is gone over each day, homework is not accepted late.
- Assignments will be provided in class or on Google Classroom. You will be responsible for completing and turning in the assigned homework each day.

6. LABS

- This is a Regents level course, which requires you to take a Regents exam at the end of the school year. In order to be eligible to take the exam, you must complete 1,200 minutes of laboratory experimentation and submit the required written documentation. Therefore, your attendance on lab days is crucial.
- If you are absent, you must make-up that lab TIME, copying someone else's data does not qualify as a lab, you must sit for the lab time. Students can come in during their lunch or study hall periods to complete or make up missed/incomplete labs. **The lab manual is also available on Google Classroom, so students can complete the labs at home if needed.**
- Incomplete labs will not be accepted. Labs should be completed at the end of each lab period. However, if a student does not finish within the lab period, students will have one complete lab cycle (from when they started the lab) to turn in their labs without penalty. This ensures that each student will have time to come during a lunch or study hall period to complete the lab. Unless discussed with the teacher prior, labs turned in after the end of the 4 day lab cycle will not receive a grade higher than a 50%. In order for a lab to be deemed acceptable towards the 1,200 minute requirement, a minimum score of 50% must be earned.
- If you do not meet the 1,200 minute New York State requirement, you will not be able to take the Earth Science Regents exam. You will automatically fail the course and will not be able to attend summer school. You will have to repeat the course the following year.

7. QUALITY OF WORK – EFFORT

- What you hand in should be a reflection of you and your talent. A great deal of effort will be required to achieve success in this class.
- Difficult doesn't mean impossible. It simply means that you have to work hard. You will have to work hard to be successful in this class.

8. TESTS/QUIZZES

- I will give advanced notice of all tests and quizzes. If you are absent the day a test or quiz is given you will take it the day you return.

9. GRADES

- Grades are calculated as follows. Tests: 40%; Quizzes: 20%; Labs: 25%; Homework/Classwork: 15%.
- Grades will be posted in SchoolTool on a regular basis. Assignments, homework, quiz and test scores will be accessible online. This open access of the grade book will allow students or students' parents to check grades and assignments regularly.
- In the event that a student feels there is an issue with a grade. Students are to meet with me first to discuss any questions or concerns. If the student is still having concerns, their parents should contact me. If there are concerns, please follow this progression of communication with me.
- Overall course averages will be calculated based on the following percentages:

Marking Period 1 – 21%

Marking Period 3 – 21%

Midterm – 6%

Total = 100%

Marking Period 2 – 21%

Marking Period 4 – 21%

Earth Science Regents Exam – 10%

Please note that if a student misses a regents, this will be factored into their final average as a zero. Students will not be given INC (Incomplete) for regents exams unless they can provide medical documentation excusing their absence. Below you will find the link to the 2024 June Regents Exam schedule for planning purposes.

June 2024 NYS Regents Schedule Link:

<https://www.nysed.gov/state-assessment/june-2024-regents-examination-schedule>

10. TECHNOLOGY

- We will use Google Classroom in this course. **It is required to join the classroom for this course.** Assignments, projects, and other class resources can be found on Google Classroom.

11. EXTRA CREDIT

- Extra credit can be earned under certain circumstances. You must have all assignments completed. This means all tests, quizzes, labs, class work and homework assignments must be completed in order to do extra credit. To get an extra credit assignment, speak with me personally.

12. OTHER ITEMS

Cell Phone Policy:

CCSD's Code of Conduct contains a cell phone policy of "off and away". How teachers choose to accomplish this in their classrooms is up to the individual classroom teacher, these procedures will be shared with students in every class on the first day of school. As the policy emphasizes, students' cell phones need to be off and away so that we are offering an optimal educational atmosphere for learning. Students should not be retrieving their cell phones to take to the bathroom with them or to wander the halls. Students who do not adhere to this policy may be subject to discipline. Students will store their phones in their assigned cell phone holder for the duration of the class period.

Attendance:

Student attendance is imperative for student success. In order to properly learn and retain information students need to be in class and participating in a lesson. Staying home and submitting assignments via Google Classroom is not a substitute for instruction from a teacher. NYS has a seat time requirement for students to earn credit. Students who have poor attendance will be required to meet with school social workers about school avoidance and families will be required to work with high school staff to chart a course of action to correct a student's attendance. If attendance issues are not resolved school staff may need to contact additional outside resources to intervene.

Lateness:

In addition to attendance it is imperative that students are on time for school. Students that come into class late disrupt the learning that is taking place and are missing seat time. Students that develop habits of lateness will be required to meet with school support staff and their parents/guardians to create a plan of action to arrive at school on time. Students that are late will be subject to discipline.

Dress For Success:

The mission of CCHS is to prepare students for college and career readiness. As part of that mission we would like students to focus on appropriate dress for the venue they are attending. For example what one would wear to the beach or the gym is not appropriate for school and or typically places of employment. Students should not be wearing clothing that advertises drugs, alcohol, explicit adult websites or entertainment, tobacco, weapons, foul language or abbreviated foul language etc. Students that do not adhere to the Dress Code may be subject to discipline.

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Return to class for homework:

Signed Course Guidelines – Regents Earth Science

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Class Period: _____

