



Grading Practices

School: Ocean Lakes High School

Subject(s): Mg. Analytical Chemistry, Mg. Organic Chemistry, Mg. Biochemistry, Mg. Microbiology

Grade Level: 11-12

Homework

- Homework usually falls into one of three categories: practice, preparation, or extension.
- Students should expect to have some homework on a nightly basis
- Students who miss homework because of absence will receive the opportunity to make up missed work so long as it is done in a timely manner
- If a student does not turn in an assignment on the due date, the teacher will enter an "MI" in the grade book (or AB for absent students)
- While late homework assignments will be accepted, full credit may not be awarded
- Homework that is obviously copied will result in a grade of 0 for the persons involved
- Individuals with extenuating circumstances will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis
- Homework is < 10% of the quarter grade

Late Work

- If a student does not turn in an assignment by the due date, the teacher will enter an "MI" in the grade book
- While late assignments will be accepted, students who are tardy in their submission will be charged a 10% late fee if the late assignment is submitted before answer keys and student work are published/returned. After graded papers have been returned, the maximum credit allowed is 50%. All late work should be submitted before the end of a unit of study.
- This fee does not grow with the number of days it takes to complete the work

- Individuals with extenuating circumstances will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis

Explanation of Zeroes

- Teacher will refrain from initially assigning a zero for work that is missing
- An “M” (or AB for absence) will be put into the grade book meaning the assignment is missing or has not been turned in
- Efforts will be made to hold student accountable for completing missing work before assigning a zero
- Teacher will use discretion for exceptions for extenuating circumstances
- Students who exhibit a chronic pattern of behavior around missing work will receive a referral for support services

Reassessment

- The following steps for reassessment apply to students with major summative scores under 70% (the reassessment score cannot exceed 85%):
 - 1. All homework must have been completed before testing
 - 2. Must have completed assigned remediation work
 - 3. Must have attended after-school remediation (if required, to be determined by teacher)
 - 4. Must be completed within a timely manner, as set by teacher
- End-of-semester exams cannot be retaken

Make-up Work

- The timely completion of assignments is expected
- Students will be given the opportunity to make up work for all excused and verified absences
- All efforts should be made by students to obtain missed work by checking teacher websites, Google classroom, or other electronic means. Upon return to school, students should discuss arrangements for making up work with their teacher
- Work missed should be made up within the number of school days the student was absent from school

- Work turned in after the allotted number of school days may receive a reduction in grade
- Under extenuating circumstances, the due date for missed work may be adjusted at the discretion of the teacher
- An assignment given to a student for make-up purposes will be given full credit provided it satisfies the conditions for make-up work

Extra Credit

- Extra credit will be available for students through enrichment activities to be determined by the teacher each quarter
- No extra academic credit may be given for bringing supplies, canned goods, or other items not associated with course and curricular objectives

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