

# 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Integrated Science

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Mr. Jolley's Web Page :

**[www.timberline.alpinedistrict.org/bjolley/](http://www.timberline.alpinedistrict.org/bjolley/)**

I really encourage parents and students to use my website. A calendar, assignments, notes, study guides, and review questions will be found there.

## Course Description

We will be covering the following units this year (in this order):

1. The Science Process
2. Structure of Matter (Atoms and Molecules)
3. Structure of the Earth
4. Cell Structure and Function
5. Levels of Organization in Living Things
6. Basics of Genetics
7. Adaptations of Organisms
8. Classification

## Materials to bring every day to class

- ◆ 3-ring binder - it can be shared with other classes
- ◆ Pen and/or pencil
- ◆ Assignments

## Assignments and Homework

All assignments will be graded and recorded promptly. Students are responsible for making sure they have their assignments turned in and recorded correctly. Grades can be viewed on Skyward.

## Extra Credit

You can do the following for extra credit. There is a limit of 15 extra credit points per term. **All assignments must be turned in to be eligible to do extra credit.** You can turn in assignments after the late work deadline and receive no credit in order to qualify for extra credit opportunities.

- Perform an experiment that we did in class (or from a Bill Nye video) for your parents and explain to them the concept that you learned. Fill out the extra credit form and return it to me signed by a parent or guardian. You will receive 2 points for doing the experiment and 3 points for writing a good explanation of the concept that the experiment demonstrates. A list of experiments and demonstrations done in class can be found on my website. Up to 5 points can be received for each experiment.
- Watch an episode of a documentary from Nature, NOVA or National Geographic. See my website for links to the documentaries online. To get extra credit you need to write a one page report on what you saw, and have your parents sign your paper saying that you watched it.

### Late Work:

If a student is absent, it is his/her responsibility to find out what they missed. A calendar and assignments can be found on my website. Full credit will be given for excused absences. Other late work is worth 50% of what the student earned on the assignment. Exceptions can be made only in special circumstances. An assignment is late if it is not turned in when called for during class.

### Grading Policy

The final term grade will be determined by a student's performance in the following areas:

1. Assignments
2. Tests/Quizzes
3. Participation

Participation points can be lost by breaking class rules, not coming prepared to class and not participating in class activities. Students in Silent Sustained Reading and Study Hall can also lose participation points for not participating. Any cheating will result in an automatic zero on the assignment or test.

Your letter grade will be given according to this scale:

A = 94 -100	B- = 80 - 82	D+ = 67 - 69
A- = 90 - 93	C+ = 77 - 79	D = 63 - 66
B+ = 87 - 89	C = 73 - 76	D- = 60-62
B = 83 - 86	C- = 70 - 72	F = Below 60

**You can retake tests and quizzes if you do poorly on them.** The maximum score possible is 85%. Tests can only be retaken in my classroom (they cannot be retaken in the Student Service Center). In order to retake a test or quiz a student must come before or after school to get help with what they don't understand. Grades will be updated on Skyward at least once a week. In compliance with the Disabilities Act, students needing special accommodations may contact the instructor for alternate arrangements.

### Classroom Rules

Our number one rule in class is respect and responsibility. A student will do this by:

1. Being in their seat when the bell rings.
2. Coming to class with all necessary materials.
3. Respecting all other students in the class and their property. **(A student that has written on any part of the science tables will be required to come in before or after school to clean)**
4. Listening and not talking while Mr. Jolley is teaching.
5. Following all classroom procedures (bathroom, getting a drink, etc.).

### Tardy Policy

I follow the school tardy policy.

*Please go to Mr. Jolley's website to take a short online quiz that highlights some of the most important parts of the disclosure document. This will take the place of signing and returning the disclosure document. If you have problems accessing the quiz, please sign below and return this paper to Mr. Jolley.*

*Thank You*

*Mr. Jolley*