

Nueces Canyon Junior High School

7th & 8th Grade Science Syllabus

Mrs. Plant - Room 8



Conference Period: 8:50 – 9:25

Email me at eplant@nccisd.net

Visit Our Class Website at <https://www.nccisd.net/Domain/176>

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Tutoring: I am available for tutoring every day during Panther Time upon request from students. Students are encouraged to come to tutoring if there is a concept they are having difficulty with.

Course Description: In 7th grade science students will study a variety of topics that include Scientific Investigation and Reasoning Skills; Matter and Energy; Physical and Chemical Changes; Force, Motion, and Energy Relationships; Earth and Space; and Organisms and Environments.

In 8th grade science students will study a variety of topics that include Scientific Investigation and Reasoning Skills; Matter and Energy; Physical and Chemical Changes; Force, Motion, and Energy Relationships; Earth and Space; and Organisms and Environments.

Ascender will calculate grades according to district policy as follows:

60% is Daily Work or Coursework:

Which may include but is not limited to daily assignments, journals, homework, class participation, and other activities related to the content area.

40% is Performance Assessment:

Which may include but is not limited to exams, teacher-made tests, benchmark assessments, quizzes, interval tests, projects, and other acceptable assessment assignments.

**Students always have the opportunity to make up a failing grade with me. It is the student's responsibility to correct and study for the retake.*

Absences: Students are responsible for obtaining and completing the make-up work in a satisfactory manner. They have the same amount of days missed plus one day to complete and return. Missed work due to absences will be available for students to pick up in the *Absent* box in our classroom.

Missing Work/Late Work:

Assignments given in the class are not optional. If they do not do the assignment, they will not receive a grade for the assignment. If there is a problem keeping students from completing the work, just talk with me about it. Communication is key to solving the problem and moving on. I am very flexible

working with students to catch up in class and will do my best to help. Missing work will not be accepted once a new grading period has begun. Those grades have already been accounted for in progress reports and the missing grade will be stuck. Students are given plenty of notice ahead of time on this in class.

Academic Integrity:

Plagiarism is defined as “*the use of any other person’s work as one’s own and the **unacknowledged** use of that work in one’s own work.*” All work must be the student’s **own** work. Any plagiarized work will result in a grade of zero along with a parent-teacher-administrator conference.

Classroom Rules/Expectations:

Be in your assigned seat when the bell rings.

Bring all of your materials to class.

Head coverings are no longer allowed to be worn indoors on campus in any class.

Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself.

Respect others and their things - You do not have to like them, but you must respect them (*think about how you want to be treated by others*).

Listen closely, take notes, and follow directions the first time they are given.

Don’t Cheat! It’s Not Worth It!

Ask when you need help!!! Please!!! =)

Supplies/Materials Needed for Class:

Pen or pencil.....Class Notebook or Binder.....A GOOD ATTITUDE!

I will provide your materials for class. If you lose or destroy them, you need to replace them. Ask for help. We sometimes have extras or know right where you can get one in town.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

Please return this syllabus to Mrs. Plant for signature verification.
You will keep this syllabus inside your science notebook.

Welcome to Class! We are Glad You are Here!

Responsible, Respectful, Successful! Go, Panthers!