

BIOLOGY GUIDELINES 2008-09

What will biology class look like?

1. The Class will function as a TEAM so that ALL are SUCCESSFUL!!!
2. We will be busy learning about how things work;
3. We will be engaged in science on a daily basis;
4. The Units of Study are:
 - a. The Nature of Science
 - b. Ecology
 - c. Cells
 - d. Genetics
 - e. Evolution
 - f. Diversity
 - g. Systems
 - h. Repro & Development



What can you expect from Ms. Barker?

1. That she will prepare standard based lessons each day;
2. That she will treat you all with respect;
3. That she will be a scientist right along with you;
4. That you will be able to ask her for help or clarification;
5. That she does make the final decisions in class.

What you are expected to do in Biology Class

1. Show Kindness to others;
2. Challenge Yourself by keeping a positive work ethic;
3. Cooperate with others;
4. Respect others; their rights and property; and
5. Complete homework and assignments in a timely manner.

How will you be evaluated:

Lab:

1. Lab journals will detail lab activities, procedures and results;
 2. Formal typed lab reports may be substituted for Journal Entries;
- * Students are responsible for keeping their labs throughout the year; they will be collected in June prior to the Regents exam. 30 lab credits are required for entrance into the Regents exam.

Classroom:

3. Tests, Quizzes, Activities, and Projects will be given regularly;
4. Class Notebooks will be graded;
5. Self-evaluations will take place 2-3 times per marking period;

Grades

85 % Tests/Labs/Projects/Activities

15 % Notebook/Self-evaluations

Late Work Policy

1. FULL CREDIT is awarded to assignments that are turned in the “BOX” at the beginning of class on the day they are DUE;
2. Assignments not completed by the due date will earn you a lunch detention that will be served that week and the assignment will be completed during that time for 75 % of the original credit;
3. Extenuating circumstances are the only exceptions to the above policy.

What do you need for class?

1. All Students will need access to the school’s computer network and have Internet access as well (Website for class: www.barkersbio.org);
2. Textbook;
3. Journal (composition book);
4. Spiral bound or Loose-leaf paper; and
5. Folder or Binder system for organization.

Note to Students & Parents:

I am accessible by phone or e-mail if you wish to contact me. My contact information is 532-7164 (school), or e-mail cmbarker@nycap.rr.com Please do not hesitate, I am very friendly!

Thank you. I look forward to working with you this year.

– C Barker

