

IB Biology with Mr. Banh

Welcome to IB Biology!

Our class focuses on practicing the **IB learner profiles**, and more specifically:

- Understanding **concepts**, not just memorizing
- **Applying** the concepts and examples we learn about
- Developing scientific **skills** (arguing from evidence, collaborating, communicating)

Grades

The grade breakdown consists of these main categories:

- Classwork/Homework (20%)
- Labs and Projects (30%)
- Exams and quizzes (30%)
- Final (20%)

Recommended everyday materials:

- Chromebook
- Access to (I will help you set these up):
 - Google Classroom (already enrolled)
 - Quizizz, Gizmos, Interactive Notebook
- Need help? Contact me 😊

Classroom rules, expectations, and routines:

1. Safe and comfortable learning environment:
 - a. Treat everyone in the classroom with respect, whether in-person or online.
 - b. Mistakes are normal and embraced; they are part of the learning process.
 - c. Follow district-wide safety guidelines.
2. Technology are amazing tools and will be solely used for your educational success; please bring your charged Chromebooks or laptop to class.
3. Quality over quantity: don't memorize anything and everything; take the time to learn and understand the concepts.
4. Know that you are bright, and so are your peers. Productive communication is always encouraged. Due to the current situation, there will be many changes throughout the year so let's be flexible and work this all out together!
5. We will follow the Academic Honesty policy established by the IB Diploma Programme.

SUCCESS LIES OUTSIDE YOUR COMFORT ZONE.

Questions? Contact me anytime:

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Curriculum – Our topics for this course include:

Year 1:

- Cell Biology
- Molecular Biology
- Genetics
- Ecology

Year 2:

- (Internal Assessments are completed throughout)
- Evolution and Biodiversity
- Physiology
- Option C: Ecology
- Exam Review and Practice



**Complete details of our course, including the IB Handbook, can be provided digitally to students on Google Classroom.*

Missing and Late Assignment Policy

- All assignments are expected to be turned in on their assigned due dates.
 - If a student knows they will be absent on a due date or test date, please let me know ahead of time to discuss an alternative due date.
- Late assignments will be accepted but deducted 10% per day it is late. Late assignments turned in after the completion of the unit will be deducted up to 50%.
- Per SHS guidelines, the grading floor is 50%.
- **If any concerns or questions arise, please communicate! I am flexible and want to support you to be successful!**

By agreeing to our rules and expectations, please sign and return this form:

Student name: _____

Student signature: _____

Parent name: _____

Parent signature: _____

Parent email: _____

Parent phone: _____

Please list anything you would like me to know about your son/daughter:
