

Website address
<http://hall508.weebly.com>

2012-2013
Science
Mr. Hall



BRING EVERY DAY!!

Your Science Folder (3-ring binder or similar)
Pens/pencils (bring extras)
Plenty of Paper

****Being prepared for class is MANDATORY. Lack of materials is unacceptable in high school.****

GENERAL INFO

How to Survive

Be on time.
Be prepared.
Follow instructions without argument.
Be polite and respectful at all times.
Do your best work.
Ask useful questions.

Grading

90-100%	A
80-89%	B
70-79%	C
60-69%	D
< 60%	F

If you are absent...

You may make up missed work for excused absences only. Check Aeries/Website for assignments.

IMPORTANT

No electronic devices on campus. Music players, games, pagers, etc. They will be confiscated.

You may have phones on campus, BUT, phones must be OFF during school; lunchtime is okay.

LATE WORK will lose points. If you are going absent on a due date, get your work delivered to school.

You must have a working Aeries account. Go to the Office if you don't have one.

HOMEWORK EVERY NIGHT. 30 minutes of reading from the textbook + possible written assignments

PARENTS

- Students **MUST** have a working Aeries account. No exceptions.
- HOMEWORK EVERY NIGHT. Minimum 30 minutes of reading from the textbook.
- Ask your student for their Planner. Students write homework and due dates in the Planner.
- Check the Assignment List. It shows assigned work and completed assignments. You must sign.
- Questions: email me at bhall@hemetusd.k12.ca.us

Attendance

Students are expected to be present and ready to work every day. If you are not in class by the time the tardy bell rings, you are LATE, and must accept the consequences.

How Your Grade is Calculated

15% Attendance/Participation
50% Assigned Work
35% Exams

Class Rules

Big Rule: Always Listen When Your Teacher is Talking.

1. Follow directions quickly.
2. Raise your hand for permission to speak.
3. Raise your hand for permission to leave your seat.
4. Make smart choices.
5. Always make your teacher happy. Your grade thanks you.

Note from Mr. Hall...

Parents, thank you for trusting your student to my care for the semester. I will do my best to help them survive Freshman Earth Science. Please, to help your student, don't let them get behind on assigned work. Check their Planner for homework assignments and due dates. The Assignment List shows all work your student is responsible for over a chapter.

I don't expect all students to ENJOY science class, but I do expect all students to do what is required to Pass. That means: doing the work assigned by teachers, asking questions when they need help, and behaving appropriately during class.

***KEYS TO SUCCESS:** a good attitude and good organizational skills.*

ATTITUDE

Our attitude determines how successful we will be as students. We determine our own fate by controlling our attitudes. If we have a good attitude about something, we typically have good results. If we have a negative attitude or feel that something will turn out bad, it usually does. We should start to improve our attitude towards ourselves by doing our best at everything we do. Doing our best results in pride, and pride creates self-confidence. If we have a negative attitude, or an attitude of indifference (not caring), then we won't feel good about ourselves.

ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS

Say No. You must learn to say "No" to your friends or family. You are mature enough to know your limitations. If you have schoolwork to do, you must be mature enough to refuse invitations to do something else until your work is finished.

Ask for help. Many students are scared to ask for help. They think they will look stupid in front of their friends. Help comes in many forms, so ask for it. If you are having trouble in class understanding the material, stay after class to ask for help. Email the instructor with questions. Spend extra time studying. Do whatever it takes to learn and understand the material being studied.

Set a time each day to do homework only. Teachers recommend 2 hours per day as an average time to complete all daily homework.

Don't allow any distractions during your homework time. That means no television, no music, no phone calls, and give your cell phone to your parents until you are finished with homework (so you are not tempted to use it).

Even if you don't have homework in a class, use the homework time to study. Never end homework time early just because you have no assignments to complete. If you get yourself used to spending a set amount of time on homework each day, you will learn good study skills.

Keep a planner or calendar so you don't forget any assignments. Put it someplace visible, so both you and your parents know what you have to do. Keeping your parents informed of your assignments is a responsible way to make sure you don't forget anything.

Please sign to indicate that both Student & Parent/Guardian understand my requirements

Student Name (printed): _____ Period: _____

Student Name (signed): _____

Parent/Guardian (please sign): _____

*Comments/Questions/Contact Information/Anything I Should Know About Your Student

1st semester schedule

Week 1	Syllabus/Introduction to Course
Weeks 2-3	Chapter 27 & 28 - Stars & Galaxies, The Sun
Weeks 4-5	Chapter 29 - The Solar System
Weeks 6-7	Chapter 30 - The Moon
Weeks 8-9	Chapter 3 - Models of the Earth
Weeks 10-11	Chapters 4 & 5 - Plate Tectonics, Deformation of the Crust
Weeks 12-13	Chapter 6 - Earthquakes
Weeks 14-15	Chapter 7 - Volcanoes
Weeks 16-17	Chapters 10 & 13 - Rocks, Erosion
Week 18	Review & Final Exam

FINAL EXAM is cumulative for the entire first semester.

2nd Semester Schedule

Weeks 19-20	Chapter 21 - Ocean Water
Weeks 21-22	Chapter 22 - Movements of the Ocean
Weeks 23-24	Chapter 23 - The Atmosphere
Weeks 25-26	Chapter 24 & 25 - Water in the Atmosphere, Weather
Week 27	Chapter 26 - Climate
Weeks 28-29	Chapter 11 - Resources & Energy
Week 30	Review for State Testing
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Weeks 31-32	Chapter 8 - Earth Chemistry
Week 33	Chapter 17 - The Rock Record
Week 34	Chapter 18 A View of Earth's Past
Week 35	Review for Finals
Week 36	FINAL EXAM (cumulative for the entire semester)