

## MR. CANOVA'S GUIDELINES

## CHEMISTRY

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Classroom Materials: (Needed every day UNLESS TOLD otherwise)

1. Textbook (Should have a cover on at all times)
2. Science notebook (This is for classroom notes and practice problems)
3. Lab notebook (This is for all lab notes, collected data, and lab related materials)
4. Pen and Pencil (So you don't need to search or borrow)
5. Binder or Folder (To keep graded work/handouts/homework assignments/returned labs)
6. Calculator (Nothing too complex, but definitely a helpful tool as the year progresses)

Grading Policy:

Your marking period grade will be based on a total points system consisting of the following:

**Approximate % (Percentages will change slightly from one marking period to another)**

= <u>40</u> %	<b>Exam Average</b> (Tests, Quizzes)
= <u>25</u> %	<b>Lab Average</b> (Prelabs, Lab Reports, Lab Participation, Lab Cleanup)
= <u>20</u> %	<b>Classwork</b> (Class Participation, Class Reviews, Classroom Rules, Video Questions)
= <u>15</u> %	<b>Homework</b> (Problems, Questions, Current Events, Worksheets, Other)

**Example:**

	<u>Your score</u>	<u>Maximum Points</u>	<u>Marking Period Avg.</u>
Total Exam Average	= 320 /	400	= 80% B-
Labs/Reports Average	= 187.5 /	250	= 75% C
Classwork/Class Participation	= 170 /	200	= 85% B
Homework Average	= <u>142.5</u> /	<u>150</u>	= 95% A
FINAL MP GRADE	= 820 /	1000	= (82.0% B-)

\*\* FINAL MP GRADE IS NOT FOUND BY TAKING THE AVERAGE OF EACH CATEGORY AND DIVIDING THE SUM BY 4

not = 83.75% B

Introduction:

This Chemistry course serves as an introduction to the intra/interdependent world in which you live. As the year progresses, students will have a better understanding of the type of course content Chemistry involves and more importantly gain knowledge of the importance of keeping focused on the issues at hand. Appropriate behavior, suitable language, and proper social interaction of each student are very important towards maintaining a classroom environment that is conducive for learning. Disruptions, no matter how small, take away from our learning time together. These disruptions will not go unnoticed and those students guilty of infractions will face consequences based on the severity of their actions. A variety of labs and activities will be performed throughout the year in many different areas so it is necessary for students to be careful, cautious, and alert at all times. Chemistry is designed to be a fun, exciting, and an interesting introduction into the subject basics and by working together we can create an enjoyable year.

I am usually available afterschool until 3:00 pm (often later) in Room 232 or by appointment only in the mornings if you would like to ask questions, need extra help, or would just like to come talk to me. LET'S LOOK FORWARD TO A GOOD YEAR!!

THIS GUIDELINE SHOULD BE THE FIRST PAGE OF YOUR NOTEBOOK AND YOU SHOULD MAKE REFERENCE TO IT WHENEVER YOU "DON'T REMEMBER SOMETHING ABOUT THIS CLASS.

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### Classroom Rules and Procedures:

1. **BE PROMPT!!** You are expected to be in your assigned seats when the bell rings so that class can get started. If you are late, a pass is required to be allowed into class.
2. **PLEASE!!! NO CALLING OUT.** Raise your hand if you have a question or comment. **BE PATIENT**, you will be recognized.
3. Personal needs (Bathroom, Lockers, Water) are to be taken care of before class starts. Only in cases of emergency, ask permission and you will be allowed to leave after class has started.
4. I, not the bell, dismiss you. You will be dismissed when everyone is sitting quietly in their assigned seats and when the room has been properly cleaned up.
5. If I am talking (or one of your classmates is responding) show respect. No one else should be talking. Raise your hand and you will be called upon to respond.
6. **If you are absent, any work that was due the day you were out will still be due the day you return to school. Work that is missed will be made up depending on the length of absence. (1 day absent = 1 additional day to make up work)**
7. **If you miss a TEST or QUIZ and you were present when I announced it, you will make it up the day you return to school unless you have a note explaining your unusual circumstances. Makeup labs will be determined on an individual basis.**
8. **Homework and Lab Reports will be accepted up to 2 school days past their due date. A 10 % deduction off your final grade is made for work turned in the same day after it was collected. A 25 % deduction is made for the first late day. A 50 % deduction is made for the second late day. Only special circumstances will be considered. AFTER 2 DAYS-YOUR GRADE BECOMES A ZERO!**
9. **FOOD, DRINK, and CELLPHONES ARE NOT ALLOWED!** If I see/hear it, I will take it away and you will have to come at the end of the day to get it back (cell phones go right to VP offices).
10. Inappropriate language/behavior will not be tolerated in the classroom. Think twice before you speak and act!
11. No work from other classes is to be done during Science class. **If I see it, YOU LOSE IT!**
12. **TESTS AND QUIZZES will be reviewed in class BUT NOT RETURNED after the review. They are kept on file throughout the year and can be reviewed individually by coming in on your time.**
13. Consequences will result for anyone reported misbehaving by a substitute teacher.
14. **NOT FOLLOWING THESE RULES WILL RESULT IN CONSEQUENCES DEPENDING ON THE SEVERITY OF THE INFRACTIONS.**  
\*REMINDER: Your disruption of class is not only annoying to me, it is a theft of your classmates' time to learn and is also annoying to them.  
Everyone makes mistakes. Be tolerant. No one is perfect.

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