

8th Grade Physical Science Expectations

Oswalt Academy

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This year you will be participating in a Science program that emphasizes scientific inquiry and the interrelationships that exist among the physical, earth, and life sciences. Throughout this course you will be preparing for the 8th grade Science California State Test (CST).

Supplies Needed

Student planner	Ruler	Pencils, sharpener, and eraser
Spiral notebook	Lined paper	Correcting pens (not black)
Flashdrive	2-3 Highlighters	Color pencils or markers

Class Rules

Come to class on time and prepared
Be responsible
Be respectful
Be honest
Adhere to all school rules

Core Values

1. Safety
2. Respect
3. Integrity
4. Excellence
5. Student Centered Focus
6. Responsibility with Accountability

Positive Consequences

Verbal praise
Responsibility as class or group leader
Positive emails/notes sent home

Negative Consequences

1. Warning
2. Behavior slip
3. Email or phone call to parent
4. Office referral

Homework

- * Homework may include any of the following: collecting samples, constructing models, completing science projects, reading from the text, answering section or assessment questions, studying for quizzes and tests, and using the library or online resources for research. All of these assignments are aligned to the California state standards.
- * All homework assigned will be due the following day, unless otherwise instructed.
- * No late work will be accepted, unless it was late due to an excused absence.
- * Assignments without a name will be discarded and counted as missing.

Classwork

Active learning strategies will be part of each days plan. This means that you should anticipate taking an active role in learning and your education. You do this by asking and answering questions, completing lab exercises, posing solutions to investigations, and otherwise contributing to the class in a positive manner.

Grading

Tests/Quizzes 45%	Homework 15%	Benchmark 5% (Once each quarter)
Classwork/Participation/Notes 15%	Investigations/Labs/Projects 20%	

Help/Questions

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