

Naples American High School

Course Syllabus

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| Course Name: | Human Anatomy & Physiology | Course Description DoDEA Course Description Web Site |
| Textbook: | Essentials of Human Anatomy & Physiology, 7 th Ed. (Benjamin Cummings) | |
| Teacher Name: | Ms. Z. | |
| Phone Number: | 629-4499 | |
| Planning Periods: | 1,2 | |
| Location: | Room 232 | |

Philosophy

Once students attain a certain level in education, they are able to make choices about what courses to pursue. I trust you have selected this class because you are genuinely interested in the human body: its structure and its functions. I am counting on this fact, because the curriculum is rigorous and you will need to commit to good attendance, studying outside of class, and, in general, keeping up with the pace of the course. These things will not be difficult to do if you stay abreast of assignments and keep up the enthusiasm!

I will provide the environment, lectures, and activities you need to be successful; it is up to you to take advantage of them. You are old enough to take responsibility for your own learning and do some self-monitoring. Please communicate with me if you begin to fall behind or foresee an extended absence.

Material

Required: textbook, pencils & erasers, notebook, colored pencils
Strongly recommended: 3-ring binder with folders, colored index cards, pens

Grading Policy

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| A | 90-100 |
| B | 80-89 |
| C | 70-79 |
| D | 60-69 |
| F | 59 or below |

Assessment

Your grade will be determined based on the following components:

- Tests and large-scale projects: 30%
- Quizzes: 25%
- Daily class activities: 20%
- Homework: 15%
- Participation: 10%

Homework

I find that there is a direct correlation between homework completion and test/quiz grades; it is the single best preparation for these more heavily weighted scores. Homework will be assigned 2-3 times per week, almost without exception, and will be due at the beginning of class the following day. Your homework will be posted each afternoon on <http://www.yourhomework.com>. In addition to specific homework assignments I give, you should expect to spend a fair amount of time studying for quizzes and tests. There will be a lot of memorization involved in this course, so be prepared for this challenge! We'll discuss strategies for success, but do not underestimate the importance of time spent studying.

Late Work Policy

I do not accept late work. You are expected to turn in assignments the day they are due, unless you have an excused absence, in which case you have one day for every day you were gone to make up the work. I will grant one "mulligan" for homework per quarter; that is, you may fail to turn in one homework assignment without penalty.

Tutoring/Extra Help

If you need extra help that you cannot get from your classmates, you are encouraged to see me for a seminar pass.

Classroom Management

I have a few simple guidelines that keep things running smoothly and disruptions to a minimum; please honor the following:

- Be prepared and in the room by the time the bell rings.
- Raise your hand if you have something to share.
- Listen attentively when someone is speaking.
- Request permission to leave the room for any reason, and take a hall pass when you leave.
- Do not bring food, candy, gum, or beverages into the room; bottled water is the exception.
- Show utmost respect for your classmates...this is a learning community.

Consequences for poor choices:

- Verbal warning
- Detention
- Parent conference
- Referral to office

Content Outline

The course will begin with a brief overview/orientation, including levels of structural organization, homeostasis, necessary life functions, and the language of anatomy. Over the course of the year, we will study, in detail, the structure and function of the following (not necessarily in this particular order):

- Cells and Tissues
- Skin and Body Membranes
- Skeletal System
- Muscular System
- Nervous System
- Endocrine System
- Cardiovascular System
- Blood
- Special Senses
- Lymphatic System and Body Defenses
- Respiratory System
- Digestive System and Metabolism
- Urinary System
- Reproductive System

Additional Information

You are being issued a brand new, soft-cover book; please take good care of it so that they can be used for years to come. You are responsible for this book until June 2006.

Standards

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