

### Welcome!

Welcome to 8th grade Integrated Science at Alliance Marine- Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex! We will work hard to build and strengthen your skills in Science. You should expect a very challenging year. This year will continue to build the foundation for future science courses. The goal of this class is to help each scholar develop their own scientific and problem-solving mind. During the course of the year, scholars will learn the skills to explore phenomena in logical and creative ways. In order to succeed in this class, you will need to cooperate, participate and have a POSITIVE ATTITUDE! Of course, there may be some obstacles hard to overcome, but I will always be here to help! I look forward to having a successful year!

- Ms. Paredes

### Classroom Expectations

### Respectful

- Be Positive and kind to students, teachers, and staff
- Acknowledge mistakes and make it right

### **Engaged**

- Stay focused and on task
- Take detailed notes
- Actively listen and participate

#### Accountable

- Arrive on time with all of your materials
- Help and support group members
  Determined
  - Never Give up! Persist through challenges and seek help when needed
- Try new strategies and approaches
  Your Personal Best
  - Give 100%, 100% of the time
    Always READY!

### **Entering the Classroom**

- Line up outside classroom and wait quietly to be greeted
- Once inside the classroom, go to your assigned seat and IMMEDIATELY take out your Do Now packet, notebook and writing materials
- Complete the Do Now <u>SILENTLY</u> and <u>INDEPENDENTLY</u>

#### **Exiting the Classroom**

- The bell does not dismiss class, I do
- Your group will not be dismissed until <u>ALL</u> materials and floor have been cleaned up
- Roll up and hang headphones correctly.
- Push chairs all the way in!
- Hold each other accountable RESPECTFULLY

### Restroom Policy

Time is precious! In order to maximize our learning, we need to use our time wisely.

- Use the restroom in the morning, during nutrition break, during lunch, and/or after school.
- If you need to use the restroom during class time, you will make up the time that you are out during lunch.

## Supply List

- 1 Spiral Notebook
- Do Now Packet
- Pencils/pens
- Glue sticks
  - Scissors
- Crayons/markers/colored pencils

## **Big Goal**

- We will show mastery of NGSS
- standards by scoring at least 70% on
  - every classroom assessment.

## Science Focus Areas

Forces and Motion Types of Forces

Electromagnetic Radiation

Natural Selection

Adaptation

History of Life

The Universe and Stars

Earth and the Solar System

## **GRADING**

3.4-4.0 = A-/A

2.7-3.2 = B-/B/B+

2.0-2.5 = C-/C/C+

1.0-1.99 = No Pass

\*Everything matters: Quizzes, Tests, Projects, Presentations, and Class Participation

### Rewards

- Dean's List Merits
- Shout Outs/Positive Phone Calls Home
- READY Store, Class Prizes, & More!

### Consequences

- -Verbal Warning
- ~Dean's List Demerits
- 1:1 Reflection with Teacher
- Phone Call/Email Home
- Lunch Detention
- Admin Referral

### **Useful Websites**

School Website

www.alliancemit.org

Class Website

http://msparedesclass.weebly.com

Pinnacle Grade Book

www.gradebook.laalliance.org

Scholars are expected to check the class website **daily** (even when they are absent).

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## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Integrated Science

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