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Welcome to a new year!! Hopefully you will remember from Chem I that chemistry is the study of matter – its composition, structure, and reactions. In Chem II, we will cover many new concepts in greater depth than in Chem I using a variety of methods including reading, discussion, laboratory activities, audiovisuals, direct observation, and problem sets. In addition, we will be covering the topics at a faster pace. This class is much more of a college preparatory class than Chem I. Therefore, you will be expected to attend class regularly, be prepared for class each day, and always do your best. *It is very important to your success to attend class daily and not fall behind.* Plan on working hard, **thinking**, and putting in the extra time when necessary.

- 1. BE RESPECTFUL of everyone in the room.
- 2. FOLLOW DIRECTIONS the first time they are given. Do your best on every task.
- 3. BE PREPARED bring a pencil, notebook and calculator <u>every day</u>.
- 4. Practice LAB SAFETY at all times.
 Goggles will be required and worn at all times during laboratory activities.
- 5. BE APPROPRIATE and have good manners!! <u>No food or drinks in</u> <u>the classroom</u>, no phones, ipods, etc. without permission, and you are to remain seated until you are dismissed.

Grading:

In Chem II we will be periodically using a textbook throughout the year. You will be expected to keep a chemistry notebook that will include notes from class discussion, lab work, and class handouts. You need to use a **three-ring binder** that is used <u>ONLY</u> for this class. A **calculator** is imperative for success in this class. It is very important to stay organized and bring your notebook and calculator daily. There will be times when you will be able to use your notebook as a reference – stay organized. If you forget your notebook on a test or quiz day, you will not be allowed to go get it.

You will be graded on laboratory reports, class projects, writing assignments, problem sets, quizzes, and quarterly exams. It is very important that you keep up with daily work. If you are absent, it is <u>your</u> responsibility to arrange make-up as soon as possible.

Your grades can be found on Q. You should also keep track of your grades yourself.

А	90-100	D	60 - 69
В	80-89	F	0-59
С	70-79		

Equipment

Your assigned desk and lab drawer are your responsibilities. Keep them neat and clean at all times. Handle all lab materials with care. At the end of the period, lock you lab drawer, return your key to the key board, push the stool in, dispose of garbage, and return materials as directed. Notify the teacher immediately if any glass breaks. Report all accidents immediately, your safety is my main concern and all safety rules will be strictly enforced.

Tardies

Excessive tardies will be referred to the Dean for disciplinary action.

Attendance Policy

Same as student handbook. Historically, success in this class has been strongly connected to attendance.

Late Work

Avoid turning in work late – the assignment grade may be reduced depending on the assignment and instructions given. If you need to make up a missed lab, it will be <u>your</u> responsibility to arrange that with me as soon as possible.

Assistance

I am happy to assist you throughout the school year. Your success in this class is important to me. If you need extra assistance, please make arrangements with me ahead of time whenever possible. I will update your grades on Q throughout the quarter and notify your parents if you are in danger of failing. Please notify me of any personal or health problems that might interfere with your performance in this class.

Best of luck to you in this class and all your classes and activities. I look forward to working with you, learning with you, and having fun throughout the year.