

Students and Parents,

Welcome to Seventh Grade Science! Students will spend the year learning concepts of earth, life and physical science, based on the Next Generation Science Standards. The textbook, "Life Science", published by Holt, will help guide us through the curriculum. Each student will be issued a textbook. It should be covered, **taken home and kept at home**. A class set of textbooks will be used and left in the classroom. In addition to the text, several lessons or labs will be given through handouts: articles or packets of information.

Because our supply budget will not support all of the activities I have planned for this year, I am seeking the voluntary donation of supplies, which your child can utilize throughout the year.

➤ **Recommended individual student supplies:**

- 100 sheets/200 pages **composition book**; binder paper; #2 pencils; colored pencils; blunt scissors, and fine-point markers

We also have needs for "community" supplies, which are utilized by all of our students and we would greatly appreciate your voluntary donations.

➤ **Community supplies include:**

- box of tissue; hand sanitizer; roll of paper towels

❖ Students are expected to bring planners, binders and composition books to class daily.

➤ **Class Grading Policies:**

- ❖ Grades will be based on points received from assignments, projects, quizzes, and tests. Individual student grades will be calculated by dividing points earned by the total points possible. The standard grading scale in the Student/Parent Handbook will be used for science grades.
- ❖ If you are absent from school, you will be given the same number of days that you were absent to complete the assignments you missed while being out of class (without penalty). If you are not absent and your work is turned in late, the late work will be graded lower, even if work is complete in content. One day late will drop the grade of the assignment by ten percent.
- ❖ Classroom rules are aligned with Kastner's school-wide six "Essential Behavioral Expectations." Students will become very familiar with these expectations during the first month of school. Consequences of not meeting expectations and my own classroom procedures will be discussed, practiced and learned during the first few weeks of school. Expectations include the following: 1) Be on time and prepared for class. 2) Listen and follow directions. 3) Keep cell phones OFF during the school day. 4) No eating or drinking in class-NO GUM CHEWING ON CAMPUS. 5) Respect self, others and property. 6) Do not disrupt other classes, and treat ALL adults on campus with courtesy and respect.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions or concerns, you may call me at 327-2500, or email me at reggiemclean@cusd.com.

Reggie McLean

7th GRADE SCIENCE
(SIGN, DATE, AND RETURN TO Mrs. McLean)

I have read, understand and agree to follow Mrs. McLean's student behavioral expectations, classroom procedures, grading policy, and absent policy.

Student Name Printed

Period

Student **Signature**

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Contact phone #1

Parent/Guardian **Signature**

Contact phone #2