

Contact Information

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Welcome to the world of Biology!

Hello there! This is Mrs. Fromholz and I will be your biology teacher for this semester! I am looking forward to sharing the wonders of the study of life with you! By the time we have finished this semester, I expect you to have learned about an aspect of biology that resonates with *you!* We will be covering topics ranging from vast ecosystems and diversity in organisms to the teeny tiny cells that to work on a microscopic level! Each day, I will be available immediately following school hours, unless otherwise announced. After hours, I can be contacted through the methods I have listed above. Over the next few weeks, we will diving into a world of discovery. We will partake in this adventure together to soak in the wonders of life!

Science Lab Safety

We will be working in a laboratory setting for many of our topics this semester. Below are the expectations to keep everyone safe while we are making discoveries!

- ❖ Safety goggles must be worn at ALL times when in the lab!
- ❖ Gloves must be worn when working in the lab.
- ❖ No food or drink in the lab!
- ❖ Anything that is used or created in lab is NOT to be eaten.
- ❖ We will be working with various chemicals; these chemicals are not to be near anyone's face, eyes, or mouth.
- ❖ Any chemicals worked with in lab will be disposed of in designated containers, NOT the sink.
- ❖ If using an open flame in an experiment, nothing is to be placed into the flame unless you are instructed to do so by the instructor.
- ❖ The safety equipment including a safety shower, eye wash, and fire extinguisher will be located by each student before working in the lab.
- ❖ If there is a spill of any kind, the student will immediately notify the instructor so that it can be properly cleaned up.
- ❖ Students will practice the ethical treatment of any organisms used in lab, living or deceased.
- ❖ Students with longer than shoulder length hair must have it tied back when in the lab.
- ❖ A lab apron and close-toed shoes must be worn in the lab.
- ❖ Anything that is used or created in the lab cannot be taken outside of the lab room unless the instructor states otherwise (i.e. specimens, chemicals, etc.).

On the previous page, we addressed some safety concerns related to working in a laboratory as we will do multiple times throughout the semester. Guardians and students, please make that you have read and understood the expectations for safety so that we can enjoy the fun activities that I have planned! If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact me.

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