

Seventh Grade Science Course Outline and Expectations
Mr. Martin 2016 – 2017
Periods 1, 2, 6, 7, 8

Welcome to Mr. Martin's 7th grade science class. I am looking forward to a great year with all of the students and with you. It is my goal to make this class a positive, enjoyable, safe, and productive educational experience. It is very important that classes work together as a community to meet our goals. I am very interested to hear any feedback from students and parents regarding this class and their goals for the year.

Areas of Study

The scope and sequence of materials is based on a district curriculum revisions completed in the spring of 2009. Topics are:

- Chemistry (matter, structure of an atom, and bonding)
- Physics (Forces, Motion, and basic formulas)
- Energy and Transfer
- Astronomy (history, constellations, celestial bodies, and stellar evolution)

Resources that will be used include the science textbook, "Prentice Hall Science Explorers", various internet resources and teacher generated materials.

Materials needed DAILY

- 1 subject notebook and a folder **OR** 3-ring binder with notebook paper and a folder
- Pencils/Pens
- Calculator
- Assignment Book

Class Website

- The address for my classroom site with homework, events, documents and links is
 - www.martinpeirce.weebly.com
- You may also access my site by going to Schoology or by going to the Peirce website, selecting our staff, and then clicking "website" next to my name.
- Please join "Remind". I will send out messages via email and text about upcoming tests and quizzes.
 - For "push" notifications open up your web browser on your phone or desktop computer and type in **rmd.at/8bd49f**
 - If you want "text messages"...in the "To" box type **81010** and the message should say **@8bd49f**

Online Textbook

To access the online version of your textbook:

1. Go to Schoology and click the link "Easybridge to Science Textbook."
2. Click link and type in student email and password.
3. Follow the link for Pearson Success Net to access books.

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Class Expectations and Rules

- Respect, responsibility and self control
- Be prepared every day
- Have an open mind and willingness to learn
- Positive attitude and doing your best
- Follow all Peirce rules
- Safety
- The bathroom may be used during group or desk work, not during discussions in class.

Grading Policy

- Homework will be assigned as needed and will not be worth more than 20% of a student’s total grade.
- Quizzes and tests. Quizzes will have a generally value of 20 to 50 points. Tests will usually have a value of 100 points. Quizzes may be given any time, without notice. Students will be given a study guide for all tests and will be notified of a test at least one week in advance.
- Lab reports and class assignments will generally have a value of 20 to 50 points.

Make Up Policy

- For brief absences, please see another student that has me for science. Pick a friend to be your homework buddy and study partner for science.
- Students with a music lesson, sports, or other activities during science must first check in with Mr. Martin, turn in homework, and find out what they will miss during class. The student must come to the next class prepared.
- For other absences and illnesses, students are responsible for work assigned before their absence on the day they return. For assignments given during the illness or absence, please see Mr. Martin to establish a due date for missing work. If a student misses a test due to an absence, they should be ready for the test on the day they return.

Make Up/Extra Help

Please schedule an appointment with Mr. Martin in Room B122 for extra help. Every student should be able to succeed in my class, so please ask for help if you need it.

I look forward to this year and have great expectations for the students in my class. Working together, we can achieve success and have fun at the same time. Please contact me through email at rmartin@wcasd.net if you have any questions or concerns.

**Student and Parent Acknowledgement
Seventh Grade Science**

I have read and understand the course outline and expectations for Mr. Martin’s seventh grade science class.

Student Name (Printed)

Student Signature

Parent Name (Printed)

Parent Signature

Email: _____

Phone: _____