



ST. TIMOTHY'S
SCHOOL

Life-Ready.

6th Grade Life Science with Mrs. Whitley (218)

During this course, students will learn about cells...the “building blocks of life.” They will explore cell processes and cellular replication, as well as the inner workings of the cell. The history of Genetics will be discussed as to how it relates to inheritance traits and patterns. Some common genetic disorders will also be explained. For the aforementioned material, we will use Prentice Hall Text: Cells and Heredity (2005). The rest of the school year will focus on some of the major organ systems of the human body such as the skeletal system, muscular system, digestive system, respiratory system...just to name a few. For this information, we will use Prentice Hall Text: Human Biology and Health (2005).

Class Expectations

Students are always expected to be respectful and responsible.

Students are expected to be ready to begin class as soon as the bell rings.

During labs and activities, students should

1. Follow all instructions and procedures carefully.
2. Discussions related to the activity should be kept at a reasonable volume.
3. Report injuries and spills/breakage immediately.
4. When I am speaking, you should be listening for information/directions.

Contact Me

Please feel free to contact me anytime. My email address: jwhitley@sttimothys.org is the best option. My voice mail extension is 2601.

Grading

Classwork, Labs/Activities, and Quizzes will be entered into the gradebook once. Tests and Projects will be entered into the gradebook twice.

Grading Scale

93-100	A
85-92	B
77-84	C
70-76	D
Below 70	F

Academic Procedures

A maximum of 5% extra credit may be earned each quarter. Specific information on extra credit options will be given to students.

Homework will be checked for homework strikes, but classwork that is completed at home will still be graded for accuracy as classwork.

Make up work can be collected from the designated grade slot in my room. Students that are absent should speak with me upon their return to arrange times to discuss notes, make up labs/activities, etc. Late classwork/projects will be assessed a penalty of 5% per day late.

Extra Help

I am available for extra help every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 7:30. If there is another morning that a student needs help, please contact me so arrangements can be made. I will also be available for extra help in the afternoons on Wednesday and Thursday from 3:05-3:30 after the month of October.