

Chemistry Disclosure Mrs. Jessica Stant - Room 303

Welcome to Chemistry! This will be a fun year full of investigations and discovery. You can expect this course to be challenging, educational, and full of hands-on learning. The topics we will cover are the elements, atoms, chemical bonding, solutions, and acids/bases.

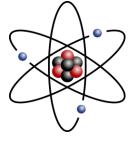
Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum

The Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum Standards (called GVC's) are the knowledge and skills that we guarantee that every student will learn. We also guarantee that these standards are in line with the state standards and assessments.

- **GVC 1:** Students will describe the origin of matter in the universe, understand the structure of atoms and the characteristics of elements based on their location on the periodic table.
- **GVC 2:** Students will determine energy changes with an atom and classify those changes in terms of radiation types.
- **GVC 3:** Students will connect the relationship of valence electrons, bond types, and properties of bonds.
- **GVC 4:** Students will identify evidence of chemical reactions and demonstrate how chemical equations are used to describe them.
- GVC 5: Students will use concepts of chemical kinetics to explain a chemical reaction.
- **GVC 6:** Students will understand the properties that describe solutions and relate solubility, concentration, and pH to everyday solutions.
- **GVC 7:** Students will differentiate between acids and bases in terms of ion concentrations, chemical properties, and results using various indicators.

Materials Needed for Class:

- *Your Textbook
- *Notebook Paper
- *pencil or pen
- *SCIENTIFIC CALCULATOR (can be graphing, but CANNOT be your phone)



Expectations

You are expected to arrive to class on time with a good attitude, prepared and ready to participate in all class activities. I expect you to bring all materials listed above to EVERY CLASS.

Chemistry Lab Fee

The Science department has implemented a \$15 lab fee for each student enrolled in Chemistry. This fee covers your expenses associated with textbooks, providing lab supplies and purchasing equipment. Please pay the fee at the finance office.

Attendance and Participation

There is no way to "make-up" everything that you miss when you are absent. I understand that there are circumstances that can't be avoided, but every effort should be made to be in class. If you arrive late to class you will be marked as "Tardy". If you arrive more than 15 minutes late to a class you will be marked "Absent". When a student reaches 5 absences in a quarter, their parent will be contacted.

As per Pine View High School's Academic Participation Policy, students will be given **participation points** each day in class. These will be in the form of a Bellwork "Journal". These points will be worth about 20% of the student's grade. To receive full points, students must be in class, on time, and ready to work when the bell rings each day. Failure to do so will result in a partial or full loss of points. Students are not allowed to make up missed participation points if they are marked "Tardy". Students must see Mrs. Stant to get information on how to make up points for absences.

Class Website and PowerSchool

Our class website can be found at www.stantscience.weebly.com. This website will be kept updated with important information, links to enhance understanding of class topics, and daily class assignments. We will also be using the new PowerSchool Learning Tool on PowerSchool. Please make sure you know how to login to your PowerSchool account.

<u>Parents</u>, to help your student stay on track in their classes, please download the PowerSchool app and create a parent account. The school code for Pine View is MRBK

Grading Policy

Participation, assignments, activities, laboratories, journals, and tests will make up your total grade. All grades will be posted and updated on PowerSchool. It will be your responsibility to check grades regularly. If checking grades on the internet is not an option, I can make grades available. Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions regarding your grade.

All assignments must be turned in by midterm or the end of the quarter. Assignments given in the first half of the quarter will not be accepted after midterm has passed. Assignments given after midterm must be turned in by the grading deadline for that quarter. No assignments will be accepted or made up in a quarter after the end of that quarter's grading period. Missed test questions must be revised and scores lower than 60% must be retaken. You will have a ZERO on your grade until retakes are finished. Retakes will be different than the original test.

Make-Up Work/Late Assignments

For all absences, you will be responsible to check our class website at www.stantscience.weebly.com to see what was missed and what assignments are due. If you are absent, you will get two extra days to turn in assignments for every day you were absent. For all other late work, assignments will be accepted with an automatic 10% grade reduction.

Extra Help

If you are having trouble with a difficult assignment or concept, I will be available for extra help each day after school until 3:30. I will also be available at lunch on select days. If you are not able to come in during these times, let me know and we will find a time that will work. You can also email me at jessica.stant@washk12.org.

Electronic Device Policy

Use of electronic devices (cell phones, iPods, etc.) **will not be allowed in class**, except for during specific times. When you come into class each day you will put your device on a "Phone Cart" on a designated number. I will use this cart to call roll each day. This is simply my attempt to reduce the **HUGE** distraction that cell phones bring to a classroom.

WCSD Acceptable Use Policy

It is District policy that students are **NOT ALLOWED** to take <u>pictures</u> or <u>video</u> of **ANY** other **students** or **teachers** while at school without their **EXPRESS PERMISSION!!** This will be strictly enforced.

Behavior Policy

You are expected to understand and follow all the policies and procedures outlined in the Student Handbook. Any violations will receive a verbal warning along with parent contact and written documentation of the offense. If the behavior becomes excessive the administration will be notified.

Note to Parents

I believe that parents know their children best. If at any time during this year you need to speak with me about concerns you may have or about your child's needs, please contact me right away. I am looking forward to working with your child this year and I know that by working hard and following the classroom policies they will have a fun and successful year. If you need to contact me, the best way to do so is through email. My email address is jessica.stant@washk12.org. I check my email daily.

Thank you. I am looking forward to a great ye	ear!	
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I have read and understand each item of the di	sclosure and agree to abide by the rules and e	expectations outlined
Student Printed Name		
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Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	
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