

## ***Greetings from Mr. Wozniak- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science***

Dear Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your student to sixth grade science. This will be my third year of teaching science in Columbus City Schools and my second year at AIMS. I am very excited about working with your student. I have an assortment of hands-on lessons and projects planned for this school year. We need to work together to make sure that your student is successful in school this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please write or feel free to call me at **614-365-5558** or email me at **bwozniak@columbus.k12.oh.us**

Sincerely,

Mr. Wozniak

### **Classroom Expectations:**

1. Be Respectful-to classmates, teachers, substitutes and visitors
2. Be Responsible-follow all directions, complete assignments on time
3. Be Safe-keep hands, feet and objects to yourself
4. Be Prompt & Prepared-to class with materials and homework
5. Be Where You Should Be-leave your seat only with permission
6. Be Focused- no cell phone or Chromebook use unless given permission
7. Believe in yourself and be willing to try

**Absences:** If you are absent, it is your responsibility to get your makeup work on the day you return back to school. If there are hardcopies of assignments, extras are located in the mailbox in the classroom.

**Curriculum:** In 6th grade science, there are four units of learning: Inquiry, Earth Science, Physical Science, and Life Science. In the Inquiry unit, students will learn about the scientific method, lab safety, and the different parts of an experiment. For Earth science, students will be learning about minerals, soil, and the rock cycle. In physical science students will be discovering the different properties of matter. And in life science, students will learn about cells and how scientists organize life.

**Supplies:** Each student should have a spiral notebook specifically for science, a folder, and a pencil with them each day.

**Virtual Learning:** While we are virtual learning for at least the first quarter of the year, we will follow a normal schedule Monday through Thursday of each week, meeting each period over Zoom. On Fridays, students will be working on assignments given to them by their teachers independently. Students can contact their teachers via email to receive help on their assignments on Fridays. For my class, a few platforms will be utilized to deliver content and assignments. These platforms include the following: Google Classroom, Gizmos, and Achieve 3000. I will communicate what is expected of students several ways. I will utilize Google Classroom to share announcements and assignments with students, I will email families to share important information, and I will post information on my website: <https://sites.google.com/view/wozniakclassroom/home>. The codes to my Google Classrooms are on my website. For the Zoom information, I will post the links to the meetings on Google Classroom, and I will email them out to everyone. Students and families can always email me if any questions come up outside of class.

**Grading:** Here is the scale for Columbus City Schools.

100% - 98% - A+	77% - 72% - C
97% - 92% - A	71% - 70% - C-
91% - 90% - A-	69% - 68% - D+
89% - 88% - B+	67% - 62% - D
87% - 82% - B	61% - 60% - D-
81% - 80% - B-	59% - 0% - F
79% - 78% - C+	

Grades will be calculated by taking the points earned divided by the total points possible for all assignments. I do not have weighted categories in my class.

**Extra Credit:** Extra credit opportunities will be offered several times during the grading period. Options will vary in how students may earn extra credit. These opportunities are meant to help students improve low scores, not to replace missing assignments.

**I put my grades on Infinite Campus. I will send home a grade sheet periodically during each quarter.**