**Brookwood High School**

**Syllabus for Biology**

**Mr. Charlie Plasters**

**Grading Policy:** All grades are recorded on a points system. Grades will be put in PowerSchools as soon as possible, and you are responsible for keeping up with your own grades. The final exam is comprehensive and is worth 20% of your final grade. Full effort should be given to this course, and your understanding of course material is your responsibility. You will not pass this course if you cannot do the work. If you are struggling with the material, take the initiative to seek qualified help.

*\*\*\*NOTE: Final exams may be exempted per the exemption policy.  Please see the student/parent guide for more information.*

**Cheating:** Any student caught cheating (giving or receiving information) will receive a grade of zero on the assignment and may result in a discipline referral. **Copying homework is considered cheating.**

**Make-Up Work:** As per board policy, students who have an excused absence have two days upon returning to school to schedule a time to make up missed work. A student who is absent from school on a review and/or test and/or quiz day, will be **required** to take the test or quiz the **first** day back to school. Per board policy, if a student has an unexcused absence when graded work is taken that grade is automatically a zero. The same policy except for major projects/exams will apply to suspensions.

**Science Supplies:**

* A 1-2” three-ring binder filled with loose-leaf paper.
* Several Pencils and Erasers
* Colored pencils

**Classroom Expectations:**

1. You must be in class and ready to work when the tardy bell rings.
2. Be prepared for class. This means physically and mentally.
3. No eating or drinking allowed in the classroom, except for water.
4. Follow all instructions. When in doubt, ASK the INSTRUCTOR
5. Listen attentively when someone is speaking to the class. Do not become a class distraction.
6. Participation in class is a MUST.
7. When announcements are made over the intercom, EVERYONE will be silent. It may not be information you need, but someone in the classroom needs that information.
8. Have good manners and show everyone respect.
9. Remain seated until the teacher dismisses you at the end of the period.
10. Follow all guidelines and procedures as outlined by Brookwood High School and the Tuscaloosa County Board of Education. Especially look at **DRESS CODE, DIGITAL DEVICES, and TARDINESS policies**
11. Adhere to all Safety Rules while in the lab

**Personal Electronic Devices:** Technology can be a valuable educational resource. Students are allowed to use electronic and technological devices at specified times and only when authorized by the teacher for instructional purposes. If a student is using a device inappropriately, consequences will be enforced as stated in the code of conduct handbook.

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