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Physics 1 : 2013 - 2014

Class Policy and Expectations

Required Equipment

Scientific Calculator (Does not need to be a graphing calculator. Please bring to class every day!)

Grading Policy

Students' grades are based on completion and accuracy of homework, notes, quizzes, labs and tests. Weighting for each assignment varies depending on importance and difficulty. (EX: Worksheet = 5 pts., Quizzes = 10 pts, Test = 75 pts.) Semester grades are determined using the following scale:

A = 90 – 100% **B = 80 – 89%** **C = 70 – 79%** **NC= 69 – 0%** **NC = No credit and class must be repeated for a grade.**

****Students must earn a minimum of 70% of points offered in the class and demonstrate mastery of the Essential Skills in order to receive a passing grade.**

Essential Skills

All students must demonstrate mastery of all of the California State Content Standards for Physics. **All Essential Skills must be mastered in order to pass the class.** Students will be offered several opportunities to demonstrate mastery of Essential Skills the day following the exam in class, and in plus period. Passed Essential Skills are marked with a "P".

Homework/Class work– (approximately 20-30 minutes of homework will be assigned almost on a daily basis)

Homework grades constitute approximately 30% of the overall grade in the class. It is important that they are organized, complete and on time. **Late work will receive ½ credit.**

Homework/Classwork grades should always be an A!!!

See other side for more information.

Quizzes

Quizzes will be given frequently, often daily.

Re-take quizzes are offered to students that have not passed a quiz. Retake quizzes will not be eligible for the full credit offered on first time quizzes.

Tests

Most exams have Practice versions which are posted online and must be taken before the in-class exam!!!!

Tests will be given for each unit and final exams will be given at the end of each semester. Test grades constitute approximately 60% of the overall grade in the class.

Re-take Exams may raise initial exam grade by one letter grade. *All students that do not pass the initial exam must retake the exam.* The retake must be completed asap, within one week of the initial exam. Retakes may be done in plus period or by appointment.

Absence: Make-up Work, Tests, etc.

It is your responsibility to keep up with all assignments using the class web resources.

Missed exams are taken upon return to class. A make-up test must be taken prior to the offering of the next unit's exam.

Homework Check

Most homework assignments are due at the beginning of the next class. Late work will receive partial credit.

Extra Credit

Extra-credit assignments are periodically offered to the entire class. Extra-credit is not offered to individuals.

Tutoring

Additional help from the teacher is always available. Please seek additional help before, during or after school whenever you feel confused about the current subject matter. The longer you wait to get help, the more lost you may become in class. ***Remember that your teacher is here to help you!***

Expectations - You are here to learn!

- * *Treat all people in the class the way you wish to be treated.*
- * *Come to class on time and prepared to work!*
- * *You must work in class and pay attention.*
- * *Always follow directions and ask questions whenever appropriate.*
- * *Help keep the class in order by picking up after yourself and helping others as well!*

School Web Resources:

Students and Parents are encouraged to use the RHS Web Site to view the daily agendas, download assignments, check for corrected answers, e-mail teacher with questions or concerns, and to view upcoming test dates, assignments, etc.

(Save the above information for future reference. Remove and return bottom portion to your Teacher.)

Physics 1

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Teacher: Morrison

Class Period: _____

I have read and understand the class policy and expectations for the Physics 1 Class at Rocklin High School.

Student Name: _____ Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Signature: _____