

8TH GRADE SCIENCE

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Course Description

Major areas in eighth grade science correspond to the Michigan Middle School Science Standards for each of the following areas:

- Forces and Interactions
- Energy
- Waves and Electromagnetic Radiation
- Structure and Properties of Matter
- Chemical Reactions

Expectations

- You must bring your textbook, spiral notebook, folder for handouts, Chromebook & headphones, and a pen/pencil with you to class every day.
- All assignments will BE TURNED IN AT THE BEGINNING OF THE HOUR. Late slips must be attached to a late assignment at the time that it is turned in (exception: worksheet packet- no late work accepted unless absent)
- Assignments will also be done in Google Classroom (check due date & time). Make sure to hit submit *every time!!*
- Do your own work. Failure to do so will result in an automatic zero for that assignment.
- An agenda or daily planner is suggested to record daily homework assignments.
- You may schedule a time for extra help either before or after school. You may set this up in person or email me at careyr@imschools.org.

Rules & Consequences

- SHOW RESPECT FOR OTHER STUDENTS
 - Keep your hands to yourself
 - No derogatory comments
 - Wait your turn to speak
- ACT APPROPRIATELY
 - No foul or inappropriate language
 - Raise your hand if you have a question or comment
 - Respect school and student property
- SHOW RESPECT FOR MYSELF AND THE CLASS
 - Science work only
 - Do not interrupt me while I am speaking
 - Cell phones must remain in your locker

- Inappropriate behavior will result in immediate removal from class and a parent/teacher conference.

Communication

- My teacher webpage at <http://imcarey.weebly.com> is available for you and your parents to view for weekly lesson plans, daily assignments, homework and other resources. You will also access this site when absent to view missed work and assignments.
- Remind.com will also be used for communication of occasional test and project reminders through text or email announcements. The access code for 8th grade science is on my website. You must sign up to receive these announcements. Please share this code with your parents!
- Feel free to email careyr@imschools.org with questions or concerns.

Homework/labs/activities

- Check my teacher webpage (see above) for weekly lesson plans and daily assignments.
- You will have a weekly participation grade. The following activities may be part of this grade:
 - entries into your journal at the beginning of each day
 - notes
 - lab work
 - in-class activities
 - homework completion
- You are always responsible for any missed work. Please see me ahead of time if you know that you will be absent (to avoid use of late slips).
- You may view and/or print all handouts, which will be posted under "Resources" at the bottom of the lesson plans. *You may access homework handouts and write answers on a lined piece of paper, if you don't have a printer at home!*
- You are required to keep an organized notebook of all work (notes, labs, drawings, etc.).

Grading

- Student grades are based on a point system. Homework, participation, labs, activities, projects, quizzes & tests will be counted toward the final grade.

GRADING SCALE

93-100	A	80-83	B-	67-69	D+
90-93	A-	77-79	C+	63-67	D
87-89	B+	73-77	C	60-63	D-
83-87	B	70-73	C-	00-59	F