

# **Cold Spring Harbor Junior High School Life Science Syllabus**

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**Required Text:** Life Science  
Publisher: Prentice Hall

**Units to be covered:**

- Introduction to life science
- Classification
- Spontaneous generation verse biogenesis
- Evolution
- Cell reproduction
- What is genetics?
- Ecology
- Human organ systems

**What is Expected of You?**

1. Frequent homework, which should take about 20-30 minutes to complete.
2. Unit exams will be given as the material is completed. Study hard for my tests; they will challenge your life science knowledge. If you miss a unit exam, you will make it up the day you return to school
3. There is no sleeping in class.
4. Late homework assignments due to legal absence will be due the day you return to school. Otherwise all homework that is handed in late will receive a zero.
5. Do not cut my class; you will be responsible for any work do the next day. If you cut and there was a quiz, you get a zero. If you cut and the next day there is a quiz, you will take the quiz. Besides, you will miss valuable information.
6. You can call me Mrs. Villanti, Mrs. V.
7. Cell phones should be turned off and beepers on vibrate mode during my class. Also, there is no eating or drinking in class.
8. Finally remember this quote “ Those who ask questions appear ignorant at that moment, but those who choose not to ask questions remain ignorant forever.”
9. Notebooks: I recommend a loose notebook. You will receive handouts in this class and a loose leave binder will work the best for you.

**Grading:**

$$\frac{\text{Student points obtained}}{\text{Total possible points}} \times 100 = \text{your numerical grade}$$