**Class Expectations- Science - Miss McCallus - Room 26**

**The Basics:**

* Be in your seat when the bell rings & wait for the teacher to dismiss you at he close of class, not the bell. Tardies to class will be recorded on the Punchcards and in Power School.
* Respect the feelings, ideas, and property of others. Listen to others when they are speaking, raise your hand and wait your turn to comment.
* Come to class prepared to learn (attitude, pencil, books, assignments, etc).
* You need to be in class to get the content and expectations completely. Please attempt to use the facilities before class begins, during work time, or in the last few minutes of the mod. You must use your planner as your pass. No planner=no leaving class. You are responsible for what you miss while you are out of the classroom.
* Always have reading material with you; if you complete your work early you may review or enhance the current work or read quietly. Please remember that your peers may need more time to complete their work!
* There is no talking or working during Channel One and announcements. However, students may talk quietly, study or read during commercials.

**Discipline:**

* You are expected to behave in a mature and responsible manner. Disrespect towards others will not be tolerated.
* If you interrupt the educational environment, disciplinary action will be taken. This includes a punch on your card, phone call home, lunch detention, an incident report or a trip to the office.
* Disrespect towards substitute teachers will not be tolerated and will result in an incident report if a substitute leaves your name in his/her notes for a negative reason.

**Attendance:**

* You are 100% responsible for completing class work and independent practice at all times. If you miss class for any reason, check the Daily Assignments notebook in the classroom or online. Once you have reviewed the agenda, ask Miss McCallus for the specific materials that you need. Please ask if you have any questions or if you need additional explanations or examples.
* If you are absent the day an assignment is due, consider it due on your arrival back to school. Upon returning to school from an absence, a student is granted an equal number of days to complete missed assignments.  This includes quizzes, tests, projects, etc.; exceptions will be considered on an individual basis.  Please see me immediately with concerns.

**Homework:**

* The purpose of homework is to assess what has been learned, synthesize what has been taught, or to preview/ review information. It is expected that, as an eighth grade student preparing for high school, your homework will be completed fully and consistently. All homework is entered as points in the gradebook.
* Homework is not to be completed in class moments before it is collected or due. Work turned in after the due time and date is considered late and will be counted as 50% credit.
* Sports practices/ games, choral/band/orchestra concerts, plays, or other extra curricular activities are not acceptable reasons for failing to complete homework.
* Copying others’ work/cheating is considered a very serious matter. District policies regarding cheating/copying work will be applied.

**Test and Quizzes:**

* Major test are always announced at least a week in advance.
* Quizzes can be given at any time.

 **Grades:**

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Final grades will follow the designated criteria of the West Shore School District as follows:

*A= 100% - 93% B=92% - 86%  C=85% - 77%   D=76% - 70%  F=69% and Below*

* Nearly everything we do will be considered in your final grade. Grades are done by point system. There will be points earned for practice, writing assignments, quizzes, tests, classwork, vocabulary, projects and more.   There may be opportunities throughout the marking period for re-doing work and/or extra credit to be added after all assignments are turned in. This is up to teacher discretion - see Miss M for details and to share concerns prior to the final deadline at the end of each quarter. The sooner you contact Miss M for help, the more likely it is that we can work something out.

Please check Powerschool frequently to monitor your progress. Students are encouraged to keep track of their grades. By doing so, students know where they stand throughout the quarter. A report card grade should never be a surprise.

Check my website as I will update that frequently with class news. Please see me during help sessions at selected lunch, before or after school or during independent work time if you have grading concerns.

**Teacher Contact:**

The school’s phone number is 774-0162. I can be reached by email at cmccallus@wssd.k12.pa.us, email is probably best as I can check that throughout the school day and at home. Please contact me with any concerns or questions.

Signatures below indicate that this material has been read and is understood. Copies of these expectations are available on my website or upon request. Please return to Miss McCallus By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Student PRINTED name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Science MOD \_\_\_\_\_**

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