

Forensic Science Syllabus

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I. Course Description:

Forensic Science is the application of science to those criminal and civil laws that are enforced by police agencies in a criminal justice system. It involves all areas of science including biology, anatomy, chemistry, physics, and earth science with an emphasis on complex reasoning and critical thinking. Students will engage in lectures, labs, case studies, online activities, and simulations.

II. Suggested Materials for the class:

- Folder

III. Classroom Format, Requirements, and Evaluation:

This course uses a variety of classroom methods, including lecture/Google slide presentations, independent work, virtual labs, student written projects, and class discussions.

IV. Grading System: Grades will be updated on schoology twice a week. All assignments will also be posted in schoology.

Scale:

A = 100 - 90

B = 89 - 80

C = 79 - 70

D = 69 - 60

F = 59 - 0

- Student Services: JRTI has 2 special education teachers to help students identified by home schools in need of extra services (IEP, 504)
- Guidance Counselor: JRTI has 1 guidance counselor to help with scheduling, personal issues, financial aid and other needs

V. Student Success:

I am very interested in the success of every student. Assignments, slide presentations and additional resources will be updated routinely on Schoology. If you are having trouble with a particular assignment or concept, do not hesitate to seek help from me during class or after class through email.

VI. Attendance:

You are encouraged to be in class daily. If you cannot attend class, assignments will be posted in schoology, please check in with me if possible and I can help you stay on track. If you need to miss class, I want to work with you so that you do not fall behind.

- Do not skip this class to work in the shops or hang out with friends in another class. If you skip this class, **you will get a 0%** for any work completed or assigned during the class period you **skipped** as well as an office **referral**.

VII. Classwork: Observe posted due dates, you are responsible for turning your work in on time. If you have special circumstances, like an illness, or technology issues, contact me. Extensions can be granted with a valid reason.

- **No credit** for work that is ten days past the due date.

VIII. ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:

Do your own work. Plagiarism will not be tolerated. This includes turning in another person's work or ideas or downloading answer keys or written papers from the internet. Copying another student's assignments will not be tolerated and will result in 0% for you and the student who allowed you to copy. While some activities may be assigned to groups, tests and quizzes are always individual assignments.

IX. CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS:

- Come to class prepared
- Be on time
- Be respectful
- No **non-school** related cell phone use
- Clean up behind yourself