**Expectations for Wildlife Studies**

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1. Use the door located in the front of the classroom only. The back door is for emergencies only.
2. Arrive on time. If you are late you need to have a pass registered in Thunder force.
3. Be prepared for class. Prepared for class means you have come in the door with:
* A charged iPad
* Earbuds
* Writing utensil
1. Sit in your assigned seat and place all materials that you do not need on the floor. You are responsible for cleaning your own work space. I would encourage you to do that when you enter the room. Sanitize your hands when you finish wiping surfaces.
2. Turn off all cell phones and place them in your bookbag.
3. During class, please show respect for others in the class. This includes not talking while the instructor or other students are talking.
4. You are expected to actively participate in the daily lesson.
5. You will be dismissed when the bell rings. Do not pack up your books before the bell rings.

**Failure to comply with these expectations will result in the following:**

1. Verbal warning
2. After class meeting
3. Lunch detention and parent contact
4. After school detention/office referral

Be responsible for your behavior and your education!

**Grading System:**

 There will be a variety of types of graded work for this course. Points will be awarded for homework assignments, in class assignments, quizzes, and exams. Grades will be calculated on a point system. Your accumulated points will be evaluated based on the class possible points. Use the following formula to calculate your grade at any given time.

 Your Points / Class Possible Pts. = Your Percentage Grade

Letter grades will be assigned according to school policy. (100-90 = A; 89-80 = B; 79-70 = C; 69-65 = D; 64-0 = F)

 Extra credit projects will be available for each semester. You will receive additional information on these projects at a later date. In order to qualify for an extra credit project you must have all assignments completed.

**Missed or Late Work:**

 **In case of absence it is your responsibility to check for missed assignments.** Use Schoology to monitor assignments. See the instructor to make arrangements for missed quizzes or exams.

 **To receive full credit for an assignment, it must be turned in on or before the due date.** Missing work will count as a zero. Cheating on any assignment will result in a zero for that grade and disciplinary action will be taken.

 Tests will be announced and posted for about a week prior to occurring therefore, missing one day prior to the test will not extend your testing date. You are expected to take the test on the scheduled day.

**Course Description:**

 This course is the study of North American wildlife and their habitats. We will start the year by reviewing some basic ecological concepts and vocabulary. We will then look at the history and development of wildlife management in America. The remainder of the year will be spent learning about natural history information for a variety of birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and fishes. The course is designed to develop an appreciation for wildlife and to encourage personal involvement in the maintenance and restoration of this valuable resource.

**Other strategies for a successful year:**

Study for tests and quizzes Keep an assignment book

Come to school each day Ask questions/ participate in class

Make use of study hall time in school Be attentive in class

Keep a notebook