Welcome to physical science! I am excited to have you in my class and I look forward to this year. I hope that you find this class interesting and challenging while reaching your personal educational goals. The following guidelines will help provide the information that is needed to succeed.

This class follows the *Next Generation Science Standards*, as those are accepted and endorsed by the WCSD. This syllabus is meant to be a guideline to students and parents of the rules and policies in my class, so it is important that you share this information with your parents. Please show this to your parents since it is posted online.

 **1. Behavior- McQueen policy is enforced**

 **a. Teacher Respect!!**

* + 1. Being prepared for class
		2. Available for help – email, text, or other online
		3. RMA – Right Mental Attitude
	1. **Students: RESPECT!!** This will be shown through your behavior in class.
		1. You are expected to be on time each day.
		2. BULLYING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED IN ANY FORM.
	2. **Behavior Incidents in Class**
		1. Students will be given 2 verbal warnings.
		2. If the behavior continues, the student will receive a phone call home.
		3. If the behavior persists, student relations office policy will be followed
1. **Requirements**
	1. **Attendance:** In order to do well in this class you must attend every day & be ready to rock and roll! Our curriculum iscumulative (each concept builds on the other one). This is why attendance is so crucial!
		1. The WCSD attendance policy is followed. Students are required to attend class every day. Please refer to the WCSD Attendance Policy for additional information.
		2. Attendance will be taken every day. Students will be required to make up work for the days that they miss. Please refer to the WCSD Attendance Policy for additional information.
		3. If you miss a test or quiz, you must make up the assessment.
	2. **Materials for Class:** You will need a 1 inch 3 ring binder with lined paper. Students should save all work in the binder as class materials can be used on most assessments.

 **3. Lab Fee:** A $15 lab fee is required for this class. A check made out to McQueen High School or cash can be paid to our bookkeeper. Please take care of the lab fee asap.

 **4. Cell phones:** you must have permission to use your phone

**5. Grading Policy**

* 1. **How Grades will be determined:**

Assessments = 30%

Practice = 30%

Labs = 30%

Final = 10%

**Outline**

* 1. **Fall Semester - Physics**
		1. Stability and Motion
		2. Waves and Their Interactions in Technologies for Information Transfer
	2. **Spring Semester – Physics and Chemistry**
		1. Chemical Interactions
		2. Earths Place in the Universe
1. **Academic Honesty**
	1. Plagiarism in any form will not be tolerated and will result in a zero for the assignment.
	2. Copying or taking answers from another students for classwork and tests is cheating and will not be tolerated, also resulting in a zero for the assignment.
2. **Parent Contact**
	1. Parent involvement is a critical component in a student’s academic success! The primary means of communicating student progress is through Infinite Campus. Grades and comments can be accessed through any computer. Also, I can be reached by email at dmenicucci@washoeschools.net . My school phone number is 746-5880 ext. 32205. Please note that I teach during the day, so email is easiest for me. I look forward to working with parents to achieve the highest amount of success possible for your student!