

# Crime Lab

## Classroom Expectations and Procedures

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### Welcome to Crime Lab!



Crime Lab is an elective course that explores the fundamentals of forensic science. Laboratory experiences are emphasized, along with research and investigation. Topics of study will include evidence analysis, branches of forensics, and crime scene basics.

### Materials You Need



- A binder for science ONLY (you can use this same binder for your core science class)
- Plenty of pens and pencils
- Colored pencils and/or markers
- HMS Planner

### Binder Organization



ALL of your work for this class will be organized into a binder that will be periodically checked and graded. This page will be the first page of your binder, followed by a table of contents, then the units of study. You will need dividers (official or homemade) to separate the different units of study.



Scan the code above to go to the class website

### Expected Behavior:

#### **BE RESPONSIBLE**

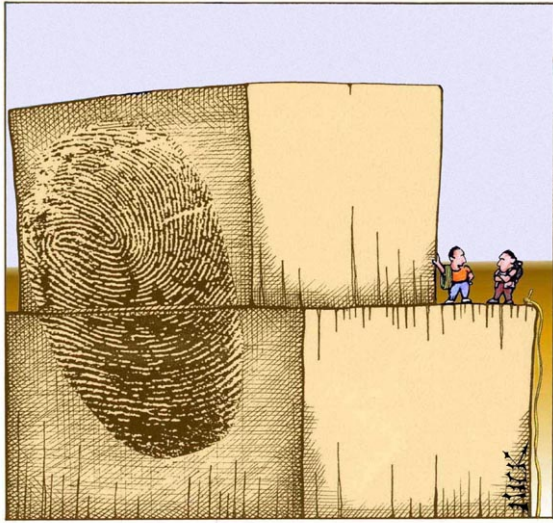
Come to class on time with your required materials and use time wisely. Turn in assignments on time and ask for help when you need it.

#### **BE RESPECTFUL**

Pretty much everything can be counted under this expectation from being quiet while others are talking to putting supplies away properly. If you take a moment to think about what you say or do, it can make a big difference.

#### **BE ACCOUNTABLE**

Don't give excuses for your behavior and accept the consequences that come with the choices you make.



*"Of course, it's still a complete mystery as to how the ancients even managed to MOVE these massive stones..."*

*"The important thing in science is not so much to obtain new facts as to discover new ways of thinking about them."*



## WHEN YOU ARE ABSENT

If you miss class, you are responsible for turning in work that was collected and making up missed assignments on time. When you return, you will receive a "while you were out" sheet which outlines what we did along with handouts and/or notes. It is a good idea to review these items with a reliable classmate, and if you need help with anything, I am happy to set up a meeting time with you. Please realize that when you miss class, you will need to invest some extra time to catch up. Also know that long-term assignment/test due dates still apply.

- 2 days per day absent are given for make-up work completion
- YOU are responsible for scheduling time to make up labs, tests, and quizzes.
- Labs, quizzes, and tests must be made up within 3 days of the absence.

## LATE WORK IS NOT COOL!

Late class/home work is penalized as described in 8<sup>th</sup> grade policies. Assignments turned in late are only eligible to receive 60% of possible points.

You will be allowed three late work passes for the term which would allow you to earn full credit for the assignment. The late work pass must be completely filled in, stapled to your late assignment, and must be turned in to the designated basket in the classroom

## GRADING POLICIES

Your elective grade will be determined by a point basis on the following:

Labs	Readings/Articles
Case Studies	Tests/quizzes
Projects	Journals/Conclusions
Participation	Presentations
Class work	Notes/Questions

## SCHOOL FUSION, CLASS WEBSITE, AND TRACKING YOUR PROGRESS

Both students and parents should take advantage of these tools to stay informed and keep track of progress. On my website (<http://hmscrimelab.weebly.com/>), you can find the weekly agenda, handouts, notes, and announcements. My class website will be linked to the Fusion/Skyward pages and will also contain supplemental material that reinforces and extends what was learned in class. You can send me messages via email, fusion, my website, or my class Facebook page (Mrs. Hubbard's Science Class).

I do my best to update grades on a weekly basis. Grades are posted online and in class. Students are required to track their assignments and progress on a "Table of Contents" sheet. Students should be aware of their progress at all times.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year! Thanks for your cooperation! ~Mrs. Hubbard



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