

Mrs. O'Donnell's
AP Chemistry Course Expectations and Grading

Welcome to AP Chemistry! This is a college level course culminating in an AP Exam scheduled in May. Browne and LeMay's *Chemistry: The Central Science* will be utilized as our text. The AP Chemistry curriculum encompasses 9 units.

Success in AP Chemistry: Active Engagement

1. Review current topic using your Acc Chem/RChem notes/material
2. Reference in AP textbook coordinating topic
[get familiar with content outside our classroom discussion]
3. Practice all the problems assigned, review/analyze the ones that were incorrect
4. Create One-Pagers on topics
5. Collaborate with Peers & Mrs. O'Donnell
6. Go the extra mile, every bit counts!

Material Requirements:

1. Textbook - Browne & LeMay: *The Central Science: Chemistry*
2. Notebook/Binder/Folder - sections for notes, homework, test/quizzes
3. Blue/black pens for labs, pencils, colored pencils
4. Scientific or Graphing calculator
5. Charged School Chromebook
6. AP Classroom [Collegeboard]

In-Class:

Cell phones will be away and out of sight not simply flipped over on your desk. Cell phones may occasionally be used as a tool in class. Any classwork/homework will be reviewed for best effort to receive full credit. Partial credit may be awarded for incomplete work at the discretion of the teacher. Assessments will be graded on correctness.

Labs:

Labs will be varied, consisting of hands-on activities, interpretation of data and digital lab experiences. Labs are due-dates are announced. Late Labs are subject to penalty.

Grading:

Marking Period Grades will be weighted:

- 50% Assessments
- 25 % Classwork / Homework
- 25% Lab Work

Overall Average Grade will be calculated as follows:

84% - Marking Periods 1-4

6% - Midterm

10% - Final Exam (Replica style of AP, given prior to the AP Exam)

*It is the expectation that students will address questions or concerns about their grade with the teacher directly, the best method is to speak in-person right after class.

Assessments:

Assessments will be given during and at the end of each unit respectively and will consist of multiple choice and/or free response. A Final Exam (April) will be given in replica style of the AP Exam, which is a requirement for this course. The final exam will precede the AP Exam.

Looking forward to a great year with you on our mission to become Chemistry Experts!

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