

# The Boeshans Way



## Class Rules

1. Always give every task your best effort.
2. Treat classmates and your teacher with respect.

## CLASS PROCEDURES

### Attendance

- Guidelines for tardies and absences found in your student handbook will be followed.
- If you know that you will be missing a day of school, please tell me ahead of time.

**Entering Class** – Say hello! Find your seat and get science materials out on the table (binder is a **MUST** every.single.day). Turn in any homework that is due. If it is a lab day, get out lab handouts.

**Exiting Class** – Place all papers for the day in your binder. Put stool under the table.

### Cell Phones

Simple. If I see or hear a cell phone I take it. No exceptions.

### Listening to Lectures

- NO talking – unless you are contributing to the lecture or activity.
- Please raise hands to ask questions.
- There IS such a thing as a Bad Question – It is “What does it all mean?” or “I don’t get it”. Learn what it is you don’t understand and express it in the form of a *specific* question. Saying “I don’t get it” is **NOT** acceptable.
- You are to be on task. You are not to be doing other classwork.
- Your notebook should be open and you should be actively taking notes, working problems, etc.

### Independent Work

- Talk quietly only to someone in your neighborhood.
- Get help from your neighbor. If your neighbor can’t help you, ask Mrs. Boeshans.
- Stay in your seat unless you are getting help from someone. If this is the case, you must first ask permission to do so.
- After completing the task, see if you can help someone else.
- You are not to be doing other classwork.

### Discussions

- It is not necessary for you to raise your hand during discussions, but you do need to wait your turn to speak.
- Be respectful of other opinions and views.

## Tests

- There is to be NO talking once the *first* test is handed out. IF you are talking for ANY reason, it will be considered cheating.
- Keep your eyes on your own paper at all times.
- Do not raise your paper off your desk.
- You may NOT share calculators during a test or quiz.
- You must finish a test during class or stay late to finish it.
- When you are finished
  - Turn in your test and return to your seat.
  - **Do not talk.** This will result in a zero.
  - Find something to keep busy!

## Lab

- Talk *quietly* and only to people at your table.
- Stay at your table at all times unless you are
  - Gathering or returning materials
  - Asking a question of another group
- Any equipment not being used should be pushed back away from the edge of the table
- Clean up
  - Put everything back the way you found it
  - Check sink for debris
  - Check the floor around your work area
  - Wipe down the counter with cleaner
- If you have questions during lab
  - Double-check your instructions on the handout
  - Ask another group
  - Ask Mrs. Boeshans
- When you finish your lab and are all cleaned up, begin work on post-lab question and/or your lab report

## Grades

- Assignments are always written on the board in front.
- Quizzes will be given often. They are usually very short. Some are graded and some are not.
- Test will be given at the end of each chapter. Format will vary. Some will be written. Others will be oral, papers, presentations, or projects.
- Daily grades will also vary and include homework problems, worksheets, portfolio entries, writing assignments, lab reports, drawings, models and more.
- Written work must be neat and easy to follow.
- Anything that is handed in to me must be on my desk at the *beginning* of class.
- Late work will be graded as follows:
  - 1 day late = less 10%
  - 2 days late = less 50%
  - 3 days late = not accepted

- Grades will be weighted as follows:
  - Tests 30
  - Quizzes 10
  - Binder 10
  - Homework 25
  - Labs 25
  - Projects will be categorized as a test or homework depending on the size of the project. Big projects will count as a test grade.

## **Science Binder**

**Keeping records in an organized fashion is important in science, as well as most other “real world” situations. To help you develop record-keeping techniques, a daily entry is required in the portfolio. This portfolio is not only a record of your work in science class; it is part calendar, part diary, and part class notes.**

### **Description of the Portfolio:**

- Must be kept in a 3-ring binder. A folder will not do.
  - Your name and science class will be easily read on the outside cover.
  - Arrange your portfolio in chronological order from front to back or back to front. It’s up to you. But it **MUST BE IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER**
  - **Date everything**
  - All assignments and products are placed in the portfolio.
  - All handouts will be 3-hole-punched for you
  - This handout, as well as the Lab Safety Contract must be kept at the very back of your binder.
- The portfolio will be graded periodically throughout the quarter.
- At the end of the 9 weeks, you may discard that 9-weeks stuff, with the exception of The Boeshans Way and Lab Safety Contract, and anything else I might specify that you keep.

Once you have read and understand all this please sign below 😊 Thanks!

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_