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PINACATE MIDDLE SCHOOL / ROOM 303

Science in Mr. U's classroom

What we learn, how we work, and where to find what you
need.

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English and Spanish versions contain the same classroom information. Conference slides PDF ↓

IN THIS GUIDE

Assignment sheets and due dates

One record for paper and digital work

Due date

Complete the assigned work.

Four days open

Eligible missed work can be reviewed.

Assignment closes

Credit is no longer available through this routine.

The stamp records reviewed work and credit.

After an excused absence

- 1 Ask two classmates; check the website and Canvas.
- 2 Complete the work and list it on the absence form.
- 3 Paper: clip work to the form. Digital: show your computer.
- 4 Keep the reviewed work and the updated assignment sheet.

Makeup tests

Monday and Tuesday

At lunch · Room 303

Required form showing an excused absence

A focused start and safe participation

2 minutes

Focus Reset

Settle and prepare to learn.

Classroom procedures

Listen carefully.
Follow directions.
Work responsibly around equipment.

What students will learn

Grade 7

Motion, forces, and energy
The solar system and light
Earth processes and resources

Grade 8

Matter and chemistry
Cells and genetics
Heredity and selection

Both courses: safety, scientific method, measurement, and graphing

Bring these every day

- 01** **Science folder**
- 02** **Chromebook**
- 03** **Chromebook charger**
- 04** **Pencil**

How I teach and who I am

Challenging science.
Clear routines.
Growing independence.

13 years at Pinacate

Immigrated to the U.S. at age 10
Undergraduate studies at UCSB
Credential at Cal State Fullerton

Students learn to explain their thinking and take the next step.

Academic honesty

Your work should show your thinking.

No copying or sharing answers during assessments.

AI only when I specifically authorize it for the task.

Beyond the classroom and goals ahead

Outside school

Family and pets
Software engineering
Oil painting and filmmaking
Adventures in nature

Goals for students

Understand science
Organize and follow through
Listen and work responsibly
Build independence

Grades and extra credit

One category: Assignments

Tests

More points to reflect demonstrated understanding.

Classwork

Practice that prepares students for assessments.

Extra credit

Strong work can add points to the overall grade.

Strict but fair

**Clear expectations.
Support for growing independence.**

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