AP BIOLOGY SUMMER ASSIGNMENT 2025

Welcome to Advanced Placement Biology! I look forward to having each of you in class in the fall. The attached summer assignment is required for all AP Biology students for the 2025-2026 school year. Space it out over the summer and it will be totally manageable. This assignment is required in order to be admitted to the class on the first day of school. The workload of AP Biology will give you a good idea on what college-level class is like. AP Biology material will be presented at a faster pace, more in depth, and will cover a vastly larger amount of material than any other class you have taken yet. In order to be successful in the class and on the AP exam is it vital that you keep up with the work. This class will require a significant time investment outside of class in homework and studying and it will require you manage your time effectively. I recommend studying early and often for every unit exam. This will afford you the knowledge you need firmly planted in your mind to be able to critically apply the knowledge on test days.

In school, as in life in general, there never seems to be enough time. One of the most difficult challenges you will face is to recognize and deal constructively with the fact that you and only you are in charge of determining how your valuable time is spent. Since your high school workload is probably getting heavier, and also less of the work in high school will be involving simple memorization as opposed to true understanding of a subject, it is not a viable option to "cram" the night before a test and still expect a good grade. This means prioritizing your academic, athletic, and social activities to ensure that there is adequate time in your schedule to complete all course assignments.

Blessings, Mrs. Oliver DO THIS FIRST! 1) Join our GoogleClassroom. The join code is djpwtv6w. This must be done by June 30. The AP Biology course is rigorous. It is a college level course. Expect to do homework every night. As with everything else in life, you will get out what you put into the course. You will be given the tools needed to pass the AP Biology exam by taking this course, but it will be up to you to use them and employ them. During the year we will complete many labs and activities. You will gain practice in writing AP Free Response Questions, and in answering AP level multiple choice questions. I STRONGLY SUGGEST that you invest in an AP Biology Exam Study Guide: In class, we use the Barron's (editions from 2024-present will work). If you purchase last year's book on Amazon now, it is greatly discounted. Student's who do work in the study guide on their own beyond class work greatly increase their chances of getting a 5 on the AP exam. If you have questions about this assignment you can email me at rollver@tcswv.org or send a comment in the GoogleClassroom.

Summer Assignments with due dates:

- 1. Join GoogleClassroom by June 30
- 2. "Letter of Introduction" assignment (details on Google classroom) posted to Google Classroom assignment by June 30.
- 3. Complete the Biology Latin Roots table in Google classroom.

 Due August 5 (We will have a quiz on those terms the second day of class.)
- 4. In your Biology for the AP Course textbook please read Module 0-2 (pages 1-53). Answer all the questions on pages 15-17, 40-42, and 52-53. These are due handwritten on paper the first day of class, August 15.

Pace yourself, do not wait till the week before school starts. These assignments are mandatory in order to be admitted to the class.