

Mrs. Cox

Introduction to Ag

Student Course Outline and Expectations

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Grading Scale:

90-100% ~ A

80-89% ~ B

70-79% ~ C

60-69% ~ D

59% - Lower ~ F



Course Description

Introduction to Agriculture is a year-long (D) science course designed to introduce students to the wide-range of activities in the industry and explore department pathways. Students gain an appreciation for ag and its importance in their daily lives. Additionally, students gain and implement skills demanded by colleges and careers through leadership development in areas such as public speaking, critical thinking, goal setting and effective communication. The course culminates with an agriscience research project in which students design and conduct an experiment to solve a relevant issue. Throughout the course, students will be graded on participation in intra-curricular FFA activities as well as the development and maintenance of an ongoing Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program.

Grading Policies

- ★ 15% In Classwork/Homework
- ★ 15% Participation & Notebook
- ★ 25% Projects & Presentations
- ★ 25% Tests and Quizzes
- ★ 10% FFA Participation
- ★ 10% SAE Project

FFA Activity Requirement

Each student is REQUIRED to participate in a minimum of **5 FFA activities** every quarter. Approximately twenty opportunities are offered each quarter.

For ex: FFA meetings and activities, fundraisers, shirt credits, service projects, virtual conferences & activities. **EXTRA CREDIT** points will be awarded for each additional activity.

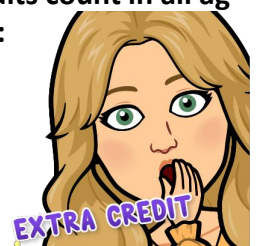
SAE is a hands on marketable Ag project outside of class.
Graded by SAE reports, AET recordbook, and project activities.

- Mechanics project (if enrolled in ag shop)
- Ag related employment/placement/school coop project
- Animal Project(breeding or market animals)
- Still exhibits: Ag photography, agriscience fair, ornamental or vegetable plants, food science projects, ropework, leather making, ag related arts, floral designs.

FFA EXTRA CREDIT

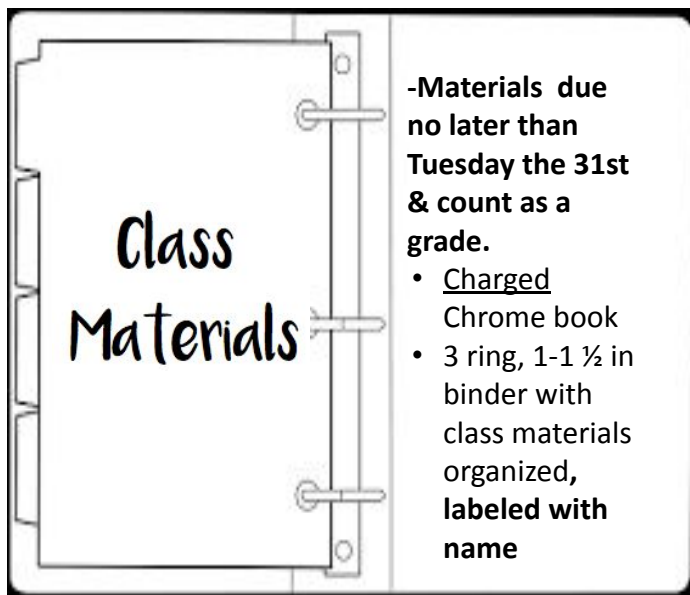
FFA is graded per activity - 125 points total in gradebook. Each activity is worth 25 points. All credits over the requirement become ten points extra credit each. Credits count in all ag classes. How FFA is entered in gradebook:

- Credit 1 = 25 points
- Credit 2 = 50 points
- Credit 3 = 75 points
- Credit 4 = 100 points
- Credit 5 = 125 points
- Credit 6 = 135 points
- ...and so on



My Course Policies and Expectations

- **LATE WORK**
 - **ALL** assignments will be given a due date and students are provided ample class time, **LATE WORK** will be not be accepted past the unit we are currently in.
- **It is the students job to get work upon return for days missed.** If the student is not aware of the exam/assignment due to extended absence, then two days will be allowed for the student to catch up on missed work. I will not remake copies if lost, the student may access online and print for themselves.
- **EXTRA CREDIT** will be offered to the students periodically throughout the school year. It is up to each student to take advantage of it. **NO STUDENT** will be offered an individualized extra credit assignment at any point.
- **NOTEBOOK CHECKS** will be conducted and students will be required to keep their work organized. Students **UNPREPARED** on the day of a notebook check will receive a zero. Notebook checks can be made up for half credit within one week of the check.
- **PLAGIARISM:** Any student(s) caught cheating on a test or quiz, or copying any portions of assignments or lab reports will receive a **ZERO** for that activity. They will **NOT** be able to make it up for partial credit.
- **QUALITY WORK:** Work should follow all directions & components and be the students best possible work. Redo's and retakes are not permitted due to low effort.



Cell Phone Policy

- All cell phones will be put in a class organizer **before the tardy bell rings.**
- Students are assigned a class number for materials that correlates to their cell phone pocket.
- Cell phones are picked up once class is dismissed.

Course Outline

What is Agriscience
FFA and Leadership Development
SAE's and AET Online Recordbook
Careers in Agriculture
California Agriculture
Agriculture Technology
Introduction to Food Science
Introduction to Natural Resources
Understanding Agriculture Issues
Introduction to Plant & Soil Science
Introduction to Animal Science:
Introduction to Mechanics
Introduction to Agribusiness
Introduction to Floriculture

RULES





Google Classroom

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3rd Period - 3wyhr6r

7th period - shd5ieg

Holtville FFA - lyhmiol

W E B S I T E S

Need Help?

Make sure you have done the necessary reading/research first! Give it a try so I know what you are misunderstanding!

- Tutoring - @ lunch or afterschool by appointment.
- Access grades through Synergy - Get login info from counseling office.



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Chapter Website

Parent and Student Signature

By signing below you are agreeing that you and your student reviewed the course syllabus information.

I am looking forward to an excellent school year! Should you have any questions please feel free to ask!

Mrs. Cox

Student Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature