**Gulf Breeze High School**

**Zoology**

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*Preparing students for success by providing a superior, relevant education.*

Welcome to Zoology! I am really excited for this course this year and ready to get things moving. I hope you had a restful summer and are ready for the fall. Below will give you a better summary of how this course is structured and my expectations. As always any questions, comments, or concerns please feel free to reach out.

**Class Rules:**

1. Be on time and prepared.
2. Listen while others are talking.
3. Respect other students, teachers and property.
4. Provide effort.

**Grade Breakdown:**

50% tests

10% homework Edmodo Quizzes

30% Labs/Classwork

10% nine weeks project (broken down into three grades)

**Grading Scale:**

90-100%-A

80-89%-B

70-79%-C

60-69%-D

Below 59-F

**Course Assignments:**

 **This course is a DISSECTING course. We will spend a lot of time in a hands on environment. Majority of the course assignments will be done in groups and with partners. The other part of course assignments includes two categories.**

 **First category is Homework Edmodo Quizzes. Each week (starting with the second week of school), I will open up a quiz on Monday and Close it at the end of the school day on Friday. This quiz will be an open notes quiz from last week’s material. There will be no make-up quizzes and the lowest each nine weeks will be dropped.**

 **Second Category is the nine weeks project. Each nine weeks I will give the students an intensive project. They will be given some class time (2days) to work on the project, but the remainder will be completed on their own time. Each project will be developed to allow creativity, and student choice. When the project is due, they will present the project to the class.**

**Units that will be covered:**

What is zoology/lab safety

How are animal classified

Protozoa

Flatworms

Annelid Worms

Echinoderms

Coelenterates

Mulluscs

Arachnids

Crustaceans

Insects

Myripods

Reptiles

Fish

Amphibians

Birds

Mammals

Zoos and Careers in Zoology

**Make-Up Work:**

All make-up work will be required within three school days. All absences must be excused to allow make-up work. If absence is unexcused there will be a zero put in place no exceptions. Make-up work is kept in binder labeled Zoology make-up work near my desk. Student is responsible for collecting this work. If the student missed notes, they can find them on Edmodo and collect any additional add in’s from a friend.

**Late Work:** Since this is a junior/senior level course all late work will be reduced to 50% credit.

**Technology:**

 As an educator I strive to use technology in my classroom to benefit my students. This year I have created a remind 101 account for students to receive reminders about deadlines. (below)

I also have created an Edmodo that will help students keep up to date with classwork, notes, weekly quizzes, and deadlines.

Remind 101: text @7h2ggc3 to #81010

Edmodo: https://edmodo.com/public/mrsbeardzoology1718/group\_id/24636434
code: ​exbdrv

Teacher website: rebeccabeardgbhs.weebly.com

**Materials:**

 Binder (must have adequate space for notetaking)

Pen/pencil

Lysol Wipes (if wanting to donate for dissection)

**Science Class Fees**

Department wide, we all are required to collect a 10 dollar lab fee. Please submit this fee asap to <https://www.myschoolbucks.com>

**Cell phone policy**

Cell phones are not to be used in class unless permitted by the teacher. Students will not be allowed to use outlets to charge in class. Students will be allowed one warning and after the warning, the second violation will be a referral.