Find your seat.

Get out your HDSN and a pen or pencil.

Keep your laptop closed.

At the beginning of each class, you will …

1) Sit in your assigned seat (after putting your phone up!)

2) Get out your Handy Dandy Science Notebook and a pencil/pen (sharpeners in the supplies caddy on your table.)

3) Put your stuff on the tray under your chair.

4) Wait quietly for the helpers to set up the Science Starter.

5) Write down answers for all questions and wait for everyone to finish.

6) Check your answers and make corrections if needed.

NOTE: If you are absent, put a stamp in the box to earn credit for that day. Stamps are in the Supply Zone!
Class Helpers

Everyone will have a chance to be a class helper once during the year.

Class helpers are responsible for setting up the Science Starter each day.

Helpers also prompt their classmates to write down answers.

After 2-3 minutes, one of the helpers will need to ask for volunteers to give answers and then use the “clicker” to go through the answers.

Helpers also help collect papers, return papers, and set up for class activities and experiments.

CAUTION: DON’T LOSE MINIONS FROM WASTING CLASS TIME!

Our first helpers are ...
Before we begin …

Glue the SCIENCE STARTER worksheet on the PAGE 1 by following your teacher’s directions!

**FAF R = Fold the RIGHT side back & glue the “flap” to the first page.**

Remember … the glue caps are called “TAP & GLUE”

Dot, Dot – Not A Lot!

NOTE: You may use glue sticks, but they don’t always last and the pages may fall out.

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Science Scramble

Super Scientists

Answers go in the first row → first box

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Can you unscramble all the words below?
Hint: First letter of each word is underlined.

SLIBOGITO 1. Studies living things
LGCOEOY 2. Studies habitats and food webs
ONECSIIFSR 3. Studies crime scenes and evidence
GITMATLSOLOIC 4. Studies weather patterns over time
TNSOLOEMGOIT 5. Studies insects

Not sure? Take a guess! You need an answer for every #.

The answers are …

BIOLOGIST 1. Studies living things
ECOLOGY 2. Studies habitats and food webs
FORENSICS 3. Studies crime scenes and evidence
CLIMATOLOGIST 4. Studies weather patterns over time
ENTOMOLOGIST 5. Studies insects

Get them all correct – give yourself a 😊 or ★.
If you missed one or misspelled it, cross out the answer you had and write the correct one next to it.
How to Survive Science Class

Time to check your answers.
Make corrections or additions as we go over the information!

Grading Procedure

The grading scale is:
- A = 90-100
- B = 80-89
- C = 70-79
- D = 60-69
- F = Below 59

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What grade would you earn for each percentage?

Grades are based on TOTAL POINTS with each assignment worth 100 points.

Homework grades will count as 1 grade, quizzes and notes will count as 2 grades, and tests and projects will count as 3 grades.
**Late Work Policy**

Late assignments will receive a ZERO grade.

You may use a pass slip to earn FULL credit on a late assignment ONE TIME each semester.

After school detentions will be required to earn credit for any other late work.

**Corrections Policy**

No options for corrections will be available for quizzes and tests as you should be prepared prior to taking the quiz/test.

Corrections may be allowed on an assignment if sufficient effort has been shown on the first attempt and the teacher feels you deserve another chance to show me what you have learned.

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**CAUTION:**

**NO CHEATING ZONE**

All the people involved will earn a ZERO on that assignment, quiz, or test and be referred to the office.

*Remember ... It’s ok to give help or hints, but it is NOT ok to give answers!*
**Make-up Work Policy #6**

**What should you do if you were absent?**

Stamp the box on your Science Starter page to get credit.

You will need to go to MRSTOMM.COM \(\rightarrow\) ASSIGNMENTS to see what you missed when you were absent.

Check the ASSIGNMENT BOARD - white board area by classroom computer. Worksheets will be posted there by date along with the page #s.

Quizzes and tests must be completed in your teacher's room. You will need to make arrangements to make up the work during lunch, study hall, homeroom, or after school.

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**How long do I have to make up work?**

You have two days for the day you were absent to make up work assigned while you were gone.

*Example:* If you were gone on Monday and return to class on Tuesday, your make-up work will be due on Wednesday. Tuesday is the first day and Wednesday is the second.

Any work that was due the day you were absent should be turned in when you return to class.

*Example:* If you were gone on Monday and an assignment was handed in, you will be expected to hand in the work on Tuesday. The assignment was assigned while you were in class and is not considered make-up work. This rule also applies to quizzes, tests, and projects.

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**Make-up work is YOUR responsibility!**
**Need extra help? #7**

Ask questions during class when we have time to work on assignments or make arrangements to come in during homeroom, study hall, or after school.

Do not wait until an assignment is due to ask for help.

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**Excuse Cards #8**

You will have to fill out an excuse card IF:

- You must borrow a pair of earbuds.
- You must borrow a charger for your laptop.
- You are late to class (& don’t have a pass from the teacher!)
- You are out of pass slips.

**Excuse Card**

Name: ___________________________
Date: _______________________
Why are you filling out this excuse card?

Every 5 cards = 30-minute after school detention
(Does not reset during the year)
Each student will have 12 hall passes to use in a semester for trips to the restroom, to get a drink, go to your locker, or go anywhere else.

If you lose your passes or use all of them, you will have to use an excuse card each time you need to use one – either to go the restroom, get a drink, or for any other reason.

Unused passes can be counted as extra credit or turned in for candy at the end of the semester!

BONUS: Pass slips may be used instead of filling out an excuse card!

NOTE: If you are sick, let me know that you are in need of the restroom. I will not charge you a pass if it is an emergency.

More about passes …

Make your passes last – you will not get a new sheet until January.

Try to use passes during “down” time in class – not at the start or during discussions & activities.

If possible, use the restroom & get drinks between classes.

**RULES:**

Ask permission first.

Cut out a slip, fill it out, and then give to the teacher.

Take a MINION PASS with you → Look by the door!

If there are not any passes available, you will have to wait for someone to get back to class!
Backpacks/Book Bags Policy  

Large backpacks or book bags may be used to bring your materials to/from school, but should stay in your locker during the day.

Need to bring a bag to class?

Any bags/cases brought to class must fit on the tray under your chair.

They cannot be hung on your chair or left on the floor as they are a tripping hazard.

Personal Electronics Policy  

Your personal electronic devices – phones, tablets, watches, etc. – should be OFF during class time and in a bag or the caddy – not your pocket.

There may be times you will be allowed to use them, but only with permission.

If the teacher sees or hears the device, you will it to the office.

You will need to see Mr. Snider AT THE END OF THE DAY to get it back.

Other offenses will require your parents to get the device or losing the privilege to bring it to school!
A few things about your laptops …

Laptops should remain CLOSED every day until I tell you to OPEN them for a class activity or lesson.

Remember, the laptops are provided for school-related use. Messaging friends, playing games, and other activities not related to school are not allowed.

You will need to use the sites and resources listed on my classroom page at http://mrstomm.com/ or http://sciencespot.net/.

FAILING TO FOLLOW the computer rules (listed in the school handbook) will result in the loss of laptop privileges and you will have to COMPLETE ALTERNATE ASSIGNMENTS for online/technology projects.

Things to know …
➢ We will not be using the laptops every minute of every class period, but we will use them most days.
➢ If you do not have Internet access at home, you must let me know and I will show you how to access the class materials.
➢ If you have problems, let me know as soon as possible so we can get them fixed.

A note about drinks, snacks, candy, & gum …

You are allowed to have a clear bottle for water.
If your bottle “sweats”, be sure to get a paper towel to soak up the water.

Ask permission FIRST for other beverages, snacks, or candy you have gotten as a reward/prize from another teacher.

You are allowed to chew gum during my class AS LONG AS it doesn't cause problems - chomping, bubbles popping, find it on the floor, under the tables/seats, or anywhere else it doesn’t belong. Having problems? No more gum will be allowed in my room and it will be gum page time!
Minion Challenge #13

Each class starts with 20 minions each week. At the end of each week, the # of minions left and any bonus minions your class earned will be added to your class score to earn rewards!

Your class will LOSE minions for not following the class rules. Some examples are:
- Not being prepared for class
- Missing or late assignments
- Wasting class time
- Being too loud or off task with non-class chatter.
- Being disrespectful

Your class will EARN minions for 100% homework completion, outstanding behavior, and A grades on tests.

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100 Points = Bring-A-Soda Day
Bring a soda (1 liter or smaller) or $ to buy one

200 Points = Snack Day +
Bring a snack (for yourself or to share)

300 Points = Sit Anywhere +
Sit in any safe place except the front counter

400 Points = Tech Time +
Listen to music while you work plus play games on your phone or laptop after all work is done!

500 Points = Teacher’s Treat +
Supply Caddy - Each table group has a white caddy with glue, scissors, colored pencils, and sharpeners.

Student Zone - Look by the double windows for staplers, tape, Pencil Pot, permanent markers, rulers, calculators, etc. You'll also find the homework bins where you need to turn in ALL papers to be graded.

Prize Zone - Candy and other prizes are in the top two drawers of the black filing cabinet. You'll also find earbuds and excuse cards on the side of the cabinet.

Charging Station - Check out the computer table by the bulletin boards for extra chargers. Remember, you have to use YOUR charger or use a pass slip or excuse card if you need to borrow one from me!

Generic Kleenex - Look behind the paper towel dispenser near the classroom door; hint: it is disguised as a roll of toilet paper. If we have boxes of tissues, they will be in that area as well.

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**Challenge: Can you find it? #14**

Go to [http://mrstomm.com/](http://mrstomm.com/)

Click **ASSIGNMENTS** in the top menu

Find today’s assignments.

Click the link for

**First Week Survey**

Complete by the start of class tomorrow!

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**Week of August 19th**

**Monday, 8/19**
- Add Science Starters worksheet on page 1 (pA/F Right)
- Discuss Survival Guide - Take home for a signature - Due Weds
- Complete the First Week Survey

**Tuesday, 8/20**
- Discuss First Week survey results
- Assignment: Ecology Unit Survey (Online)
Finish early?
Work on other homework or your notebook cover until I tell you to pack up and line up!

You can also go to MRSTOMM.COM → ASSIGNMENTS to find the link for the CLASS CHALLENGE on Quizlet!

(Quizlet Live coming tomorrow!)