

Dear Parents and Guardians.

My Name is Jay Roback and I will be teaching 7<sup>th</sup> grade science this year. This is my second year of teaching 7<sup>th</sup> grade science. I also teach 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade PE, so some students will have me for PE also. I have been teaching in APS for 27 years. I am a lifelong resident of Adrian and have had two daughters go through APS.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum will consist of "Waves and Energy", "Cells" and "Environmental Science". Each trimester will cover a different unit of study. The criteria in which the students will be graded is classwork, test, labs, projects, quizzes, and daily questions.

Most of the time I do not assign homework but if the work does not get done here in class then it becomes homework and your child needs to be responsible to take it home, finish it and return in the next day. If your child misses school or class it will be their responsibility to find out what they missed and do the missing assignment(s). Assignments that are late without a reason will have points deducted from their total. Tuesday through Friday students will be given a warm up question to answer, they will need to turn the questions and answers in on Fridays to receive points for their warmups. These are easy questions usually about the previous day's work. It is an easy way build up points and help their grade. Once in a while an outside of school project will be assigned and they will have ample time to work on and complete the project, but don't let it go to the last minute.

As for discipline in my class we will follow the school policy on tardies of lunch detentions after 3, afterschool detentions after 6, referrals to the office after 9. Please encourage your child to be on time to all their classes. I will give your child respect and I ask for respect in return. They must however remember that I am not their peer and if I ask them to do something or stop doing something they need to follow directions the first time they are given.

## Simple rules to success:

Be on time and prepared

Be respectful (self, other students, and adults)

Be attentive and engaged

Be cooperative

Be productive (complete assignments)

Be "EXTRAORDINARY"

Your child will need to bring with them to class every day a pencil and a 3 ring binder, the binder doesn't need to be any bigger than 1 inch and should have at least 3 dividers in it.

If you should have any questions you can contact me at:

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Thank you,

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PE and Science