

Sydney Academy
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GEOLOGY 12
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Course Overview

The Geology 12 course consists of six units

- The Nature of Geology - introduction to geology, earth systems
- Earth Materials - crystallography, mineralogy, petrology
- Internal Processes - earth's interior, plate tectonics, forces and structure
- Surface Processes - weathering, erosion, deposition
- Historical Geology - geological principles, the fossil record, geological time
- Environmental Geology - geological hazards, resource issues, waste management

Assessment of Student Learning

Term 1	Term 2
20%- Assignments, Homework, Class Activities	20% - Assignments, Homework, Class Activities
15% -Minor Test & Quizzes	15%- Minor Test & Quizzes
15%- Mid-term Assessment	15%- Final Assessments

An unexcused absence on the day of a test or assignment will result in a grade of zero. If an absence is excused the student should be prepared to write a make-up test the next day. Assignment can be emailed to the teacher. Any work missed while absent will be available upon request, it is the responsibility of the student to obtain notes from a reliable friend or from the teacher after school. Students attending Sydney Academy must assume personal responsibility for attendance in all courses in which they are registered. Arrangement for homework can be made beforehand if a student will be away for a long period of time.

Criteria for Student Success

Some things that are necessary for success in this course are:

- ✓ Completing all assigned tasks
- ✓ Coming to class on time and being prepared

Methods of Communication

From Teacher to Parent

The teacher will communicate with parents or guardians using one or all of the following methods: formal report cards, informal notes, email, phone calls, or letters.

From Parents to Teacher

If parents or guardians need to reach the teacher they can telephone Sydney Academy High School at 562-5464 and leave a message. The teacher will return the call as soon as possible. The teacher is available for conferences, if necessary, at time convenient to all parties.

Name of student: _____

Please sign, date and return with your student.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Contact Number: _____