

Sydney Academy

Grade 11 Chemistry

Semester 2, 2009-2010

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562-5464

The Chemistry 11 program is based on the following units of study:

1. Structure and properties of atoms and chemical compounds
2. Stoichiometry
3. Organic chemistry

Units of study are covered in the assigned textbook. In addition, students will also be given handout notes at various times throughout the year.

Reading, studying, problem solving, participation in classroom discussions and activities as well as lab work are stressed in this course. As a result **attendance is a key factor in determining the level of success a student will achieve.** Illnesses, appointments, as well as personal commitments and problems are an aspect of life and cannot be avoided. *It is however necessary for students to realize they are still responsible for work missed during excused or unexcused absences.* The date for tests, labs, assignments as well as homework will be posted on the school homework page each day. Parents/ guardians are urged to use this site (sacademy@cbv.ns.ca) to keep track of their child's workload.

I am available to meet with students for extra help most days at 3:00 pm Monday to Thursday. Students unable to see me after school may make an appointment to receive help at 12:15 Tuesday or Thursday. If a student is sick on the day a project and/or assignment is due, the project/assignment must still be sent to the school on the due date. Projects/assignments not received on the due date will be considered late and appropriate points deducted as per the late policy outlined in the school communication plan. Projects/Assignments may be dropped off by a parent, other student or sent via e-mail. In the case of serious or prolonged illness alternate arrangements can be made with the teacher.

Students who miss laboratory work will not usually be provided with an opportunity to carry out make-up exercises. Laboratory activities in this course usually require two to three class periods to complete. As well, difficulties in scheduling additional lab time and problems in preparing materials and reagents necessary for the experiments make it unlikely for make-up labs to be carried out.

The assessment policy of the school can be seen on the attached sheet.

Final exam	30%	
Tests, quizzes and assignments	50%	
Class mark and lab work	20%	(Back of page)

It should be noted the value of each test may vary depending on the quantity of work covered and the difficulty of the material on the test. Tests returned to the students are to be signed by a parent or guardian and returned to the teacher within 3 school days.

If any concerns arise regarding the course or the progress of your child in this course, ***please contact the school at 562-5464*** and leave a message. I will contact you at the earliest possible opportunity. I can also be contacted via e-mail. My school email address is ***rmazzocca@staff.ednet.ns.ca***. In order to address any problems that may arise for some students and parents I would appreciate you answering these few questions:

Student name _____

Contact person _____

Phone number for contact person _____

Email address for contact person _____

Any medical conditions
which will affect classroom
performance or lab activities. _____

Any allergies to chemicals
which may be used in the
lab. _____

Please sign and date on the following lines and return to me as soon as possible to indicate that the above has been read and is understood.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date
