

**Science 10A/B**  
**Sydney Academy 2011-2012**

Science 10A/B is an academic science aimed to fulfill a science graduation credit. This course consists of four major units including the sustainability of ecosystems (biology), energy of motion (physics), atomic structure/periodic table/chemical bonding/chemical reactions (chemistry) and a general introduction to weather dynamics.

**Assessment includes:**

- Tests/quizzes/pop quizzes
- Class work/Assignments/Labs/Projects
- Formal Examination

**Evaluation Procedures:**

20% Comprehensive Assessments

50% Tests/Quizzes/Pop Quizzes, Class work, Labs, Assignments, Projects & Homework

30% Formal Examination

**Communication methods:**

- Automated dialing system
- E-mail [cmackenzie@staff.ednet.ns.ca](mailto:cmackenzie@staff.ednet.ns.ca)
- Attendance Forms (Monthly)
- Power School
- Parent-Teacher sessions
- Phone calls home

**Expectations of Students:**

- Be prepared for class. Always bring your book, binder, pencil, pen (blue or black only for tests/assignments) etc. Keep your work organized. A binder would be best for science, as you will be receiving handouts.
- Do your homework!! I check homework often, and record it. I also do in class assignments and assessment based on the homework.
- Keep your books and scribbles out until I let you know we have finished for the day. Also, at the end of class remain seated, do not get up and roam around the classroom and **DO NOT LINE UP AT THE DOOR.**
- Assignments are due *ON TIME* and must be given directly to me, not put on my desk. You must make arrangements to have projects and/or assignments turned in to the school on the due date assigned if you are unable to attend on that day. In the case of prolonged illness, arrangement with regard to due dates must be made with me in advance. Late assignments will *not* be accepted, and a mark of zero will be given.
- To meet the outcomes of each course, time on task, i.e. attendance, is of the utmost importance. Please note that excused classes do not relieve you of the responsibility for the curriculum addressed during your absence. If you miss a class it is *your* responsibility to get the work. Please see the school communication plan for complete details on the new attendance policy implemented throughout the province.
- If you miss a test/assignment/project your absence must be excused with a call to the school. If your absence was excused you will make up the test or assignment on your first day back to school. Excused absences include: illness, family emergency, religious celebration, etc. Family trips and community sports trips are not normally excused absences. Students who miss assessment pieces due to an **unexcused absence** will be given a mark of **zero** (All excused absences must be reported with-in five days of the absence to be excused).
- **Absolutely no** ipods, cell phones, mp3 players, camera's etc. in the classroom. They will not be tolerated. Either leave them home or lock them in your locker. If I see any of these, you will be sent to the office with them.
- Please respect everyone and do not talk while anyone else is talking. I will respect you and listen while you are speaking.
- As a young adult I have high expectations of you. By being very clear about what I expect I hope to avoid any discipline problems. If a problem does arise, I will speak to you privately about it. If the problem is not corrected, I will speak to you again and make a phone call home. If the problem continues, administration will be involved.

Mrs. C. Mackenzie

Please feel free to email me or phone the school (562-5464) if you have any questions or concerns.

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I understand the above rules and the consequences related to them.

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian email address: \_\_\_\_\_