### What's it all about?

Biology is the Study of Life. We have 5 big topics to cover this year. They include:

- Cells
- Genetics
- Evolution
- Organ Systems
- Ecology

Lessons are designed to be fun, challenging, educational, full of hands-on learning and to meet the needs of **ALL** students!



### What is expected of me in this class?

My expectations of you are fairly straight forward:

- 1- Come to class and be on time! There is not a way to "make-up" everything that you miss when you are absent.
- 2- Be prepared, work hard, have a good attitude, & treat everyone with respect.
- 3- Have FUN ☺

### How can I see what I've missed when I'm absent?

I keep a class blog that highlights what we do in class each day. It is especially helpful when you are absent. Please visit this website when you are absent **before** you ask me what you missed!

## http://moodybiology.weebly.com/

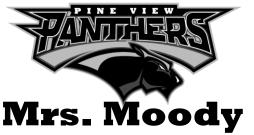
If you are absent, it is up to you to get your missed work in a **TIMELY** manner!! Class time will **NOT** be used to complete missed work from an absence.

### What do I need?

You will be given a biology book within the first few days of class that is yours to keep. Bring it EVERY DAY, along with your writing utensil!

There is a \$10 lab fee for biology. This fee covers your textbook and expenses associated labs. Please pay the fee at the finance office and bring me the receipt.

# **Biology**



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# What happens each day in class? Bell Work/Bell Quiz

We will do an activity at the beginning of each class. Full points will only be earned if you are ON TIME!

#### **Cell Phone Table**

When you come into class each day, you will place your phone on a table in a designated number. I will use the grid to call roll. This is simply my attempt to reduce the **HUGE** distraction that cell phones bring to a classroom! **THIS IS NOT OPTIONAL!** 

### How am I going to be graded?

Grades are based on participation, assignments, activities, laboratories, bell work and tests. It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to check you grades regularly. **PLEASE ASK** if you ever have a question about your grade.

93-100%=A 90-92%=A- 87-89%=B+ 83-86%=B 80-82%=B- 77-79%=C+ 73-76%=C 70-72%=C- 67-69%=D+ 63-66%=D 60-62%=D-

### **Test Retake Policy**

Retakes will be given at teacher discretion and be individualized for each student. The following policy will be in place:
If the student earns above 60% they can retake the test, but it is not required. If the student earns below 60%, the retake is required. Student score will be a zero until they retake the test and earn a passing grade. (above 60%)



## How can I earn a good grade?

What grade do you want to earn—an A, a D? It is all up to you! Please know that I am here to help you! I want you to succeed!! I will be available for extra help Mondays and Wednesdays at lunch and most days after school until 3:30. If these times don't work for you, let me know and we will find a time that will.