

Horticulture and Arboriculture Course Syllabus

Text: Introductory Horticulture; Delmar/Cengage

Course Description: This course provides an introduction to the horticulture industry, using videos, text, projects, and possible field trips and guest lectures. Topics include fundamental skills used in the horticulture industry. Cultivation of plant varieties, methods, knowledge, and techniques used in commercial and residential landscaping, golf course management, plant nurseries, and maintenance for urban gardeners and crop scientists.

Major Course Requirements:

- a. Complete the labs and projects assigned during the year.
- b. Take careful notes and maintain a well-organized collection of the year's work.
- c. NEVER THROW ANYTHING AWAY UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR.
- d. Maintain a running record of your daily work and attendance.
- e. Hand in all work the day it is due.
- f. Chromebooks are REQUIRED to be fully charged every day; however, they are NOT to be taken out unless directed by the teacher.
- g. Videos, email, games, etc. are never permitted in class on Chromebooks unless directed by the teacher.
- h. Use of Chromebook without direction of the teacher may result in a referral and/or suspension from the class, taking failing grades on any assignments missed.
- i. Display the proper attitude in class at all times.
- j. Observe the school, agriculture department, and classroom rules.

Necessary Equipment

- a. Large spiral notebook.
- b. Black or blue ball point pen.
- c. #2 pencil and eraser.
- d. Lots of college-ruled line paper.
- e. 8 gig Thumb Drive

GRADING CRITERIA:

Tests and quizzes	40%
Classwork	40%
SAE/Projects	10%
FFA Participation	10% (300 points per semester)

Your classroom grade will be an accumulation of points from the following components:

1. Notebook organization and completion.
2. Classroom participation in discussions and group work in class and on the farm.
3. Classwork and homework assignments.
4. Quizzes and test scores.
5. Laboratory experiences and write-ups.
6. FFA activities.
7. SAE (Project)

100% - 90% = A; 89.9% - 80% = B; 79.9% - 70% = C; 69.9% - 60 % = D
59.9% and below = Failing Grade

Make – Up Work

You are responsible for seeing that you get all lecture notes missed during an absence, and that any assignments are made up within one week of your absence. See another student to copy their Daily Activity Sheet. Once this is done, YOU must tell your instructor the exact assignment you need to make up. Your instructor will not chase you. All assignments are posted online on my class Haiku page. Please check Haiku daily so you do not get behind. There are weekly notebook checks; your work for the past week is due during those times. **Late work may be turned in on the following days:**

September 15, 2016	February 9, 2017	June 1, 2017
October 27, 2016	March 23, 2017	
December 8, 2016	May 4, 2017	

Consequences:

If one or more of the classroom or school rules is broken, the following consequences will be immediately administered:

1. Reminder.
2. Parent Contact.
3. Referral to Assistant Principal.

** Severe Case – Immediate referral to the Assistant Principal

*** All school rules, including absence/tardy policy and dress code, will be strictly enforced.

We have read the above policies for Horticulture and Arboriculture contained above.

STUDENT NAME (please print) _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (please print) _____

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PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL _____