

# Welcome 8th grade Science!!

## 2024-2025 Course Syllabus

### Meet the Teacher:

My name is Mrs. Angie VonHatten and my email is [avonhatten@bsd57.org](mailto:avonhatten@bsd57.org). This is my 3rd year at Bartelso Elementary and I am excited for another great year.

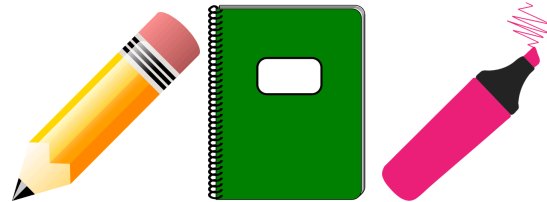
### Some of my favorite things:

- Drink-Diet Ski (from Boondocks)
- Stores-Maurice's, Cato's, WalMart, and antique stores
- Food-steak, Chinese, seafood, pasta, cream puffs, ice cream
- Restaurants-Popeye's and Kretzer's
- Sport-Baseball/Softball
- Hobbies-gardening, playing with our two hunting dogs, watching my kids play sports, relaxing by a bonfire with family and friends

### Here's what you'll need to be successful:

To help you get and stay organized, please bring the following tools to class every day.

- Textbook
- Notebook
- Agenda/Planner
- 10 pocket folder
- Sharpened pencils
- Highlighter
- Positive Attitude
- Library Book



### Expectations:

- **Be prepared**-Come to class on time, focused and ready to learn with necessary materials.
- **Be respectful**-Respect yourself, others and the classroom.
- **Do your best**-Be responsible for your learning; work hard and don't be afraid to ask for help or clarification.

### Units of Study:

- Scientific Method
- Motion and Energy
- Interactions of Matter
- Heredity and Human Body Systems
- ISA Testing

### Homework and Extra Credit:

- When homework is assigned, students WILL have some time at the end of class to start on their homework and ask any questions.
- Bonus questions will be provided on MOST quizzes and tests for students to earn extra points. Extra credit can be awarded on projects if seen fit and the student provides more than the required material.
- Each student will have the option to submit up to two article summaries per semester for up to 10 points extra credit each. These must be turned in no less than 5 days before the end of the quarter.

### Grading:

- Tests and Projects: 40%
- In Class Work and Quizzes: 30%
- Homework: 25%
- Participation: 5%

### Late Work/Absent Policy:

- If an assignment is not completed by class time, it is considered Late. Late work will be deducted 1 letter grade and the student will sit out at recess. Example: If an assignment is due Monday and “Tommy” doesn’t have it and turns it in on Tuesday, Tommy can only receive a 93%. If Tommy doesn’t turn in the work until Wednesday, Tommy can only receive an 85%. Day 3 past the due date, the student will receive a 0% and will still need to turn in the missing/late work.
- Absent students are responsible for making up any work they missed (allowed one day per day absent)

### Rewards:

- Each student will be given a punch card and given punches based on above-average behavior, showing responsibility, and being a good classmate.
- Once their card has 10 punches, they can pull a prize stick and receive their reward.

#### Rewards include coupons for:

- ★ +1 Bonus on a Test
- ★ Free Homework Pass
- ★ Boondocks soda