**Planet Homeschool HS Biology**

**Fall Semester 2017**

**Instructor: Lauren Borer**

Welcome to High School Biology!!! During the fall we are going to explore several topics over the course of 12 weeks. As you know we are limited by time; it is difficult to fit all the biology topics and standards into just 15 hours. Because of this, you will be expected to read ahead and come ready to explore the topics more in depth during our weekly meetings.

**What to bring to class:**

* Notebook/paper
* Something to write with – pen or pencil
* Laptop if you have one and prefer to work on it
* Completed assignments
* Your brains!!!

**EXPECTATIONS:**

* ***Complete weekly readings and assignments.*** This is important so that you are ready to learn more each week. If you have any questions from the readings, our class time is the time to ask.
* ***Participate in weekly hands on activities.*** Most weekly meetings we will be working on a “lab” or having a group discussion. I expect everyone to be prepared to participate each week!
* ***Have your assignments completed on time!*** You will be expected to give presentations to the class. Be ready to present on your assigned day!
* ***During class, you are expected to be prepared with notebooks, pens, pencils, assignments due, and ready to participate.*** Our time together as a class is short and we don’t want to waste any of it looking for paper and pencil.
* ***Be prepared to take notes!*** I will give notes in outline form via PowerPoint. If you have trouble keeping up, let me know and I will provide print outs of the notes for you. Speak up!
* ***Be respectful.*** You are smart, responsible young adults and I expect you to behave that way. We will all respect each other in this class. That includes me respecting you! We will listen to each other’s questions and work together to solve problems.

**Office Hours:**

I don’t have an office, but I am available to answer questions, concerns, etc. outside of class. If you would like additional help, I am happy to work something out within my schedule to fit in a home or library visit. You can email me or call me. I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Email: lauren.borer@gmail.com

Website: <http://tceec.weebly.com/student-work.html>

Google Classroom site: check here for assignments, posting assignments, and updates

Availability:

Most evenings after 7pm

Most Thursdays

Afternoons on Fridays