Science for Citizens Course Outline

Wolfe Spring 2020

Welcome to Science for Citizens with Ms. Wolfe! This semester we will cover several topics in different areas of science.

Content:

UNIT 1: How to Science

Weeks 1 - 4

The principles of science ~ Lab safety ~ Six simple machines ~ How to conduct research

UNIT 2: Forensics

Weeks 5 - 8

Forensic anthropology ~ Forgery ~ Crime scenes ~ Chemistry

UNIT 3: Science and your body

Weeks 9 - 12

Anatomy and physiology ~ Nutrition ~ Exercise

UNIT 4: Technology

Weeks 13-15

Development of technology ~ 3D Printing ~ Coding ~ Robotics

UNIT 5: Science in the Yukon

Weeks 16 - 18

Local science research and practice ~ Career exploration

Resources: In-class notes and handouts

Ms. Wolfe's homework website

Materials: Required: binder, lined paper, duo-tang (to create a lab book),

pencil, pen, eraser, ruler

Recommended: calculator, geometry set, pencil crayons

Evaluation:

Students will have multiple opportunities to develop mastery of each skill. The graded assignments will include note-taking, individual assessments such as quizzes and tests, labs, activities, and small projects. There will be a final assessment.

As we work through the four units in this course, we will help students to master the content as well as achieve the following *curricular competencies*:

- Question and predict
- Plan and conduct
- Process and analyze
- Evaluate
- Apply and innovate
- Communicate

At the end of each unit students will self-assess and be assessed as to whether they are "emerging", "developing", "proficient", or "extending" these expectations. Students will have multiple opportunities to develop mastery of each skill and will receive credit for the class after meeting minimum requirements in each content area.

Contact information:

I can be reached at sarah.wolfe@yesnet.yk.ca or phone the school at 667-8665

My homework site is https://wolfe-fhc.weebly.com/. Please check the homework site for assignment trackers ("pink sheets") and copies of handouts, etc.

Extra help hours: I will be available in my room (225) Mon & Wed 3:20 – 3:50 (except during staff meetings). Additional times by appointment.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, however, be aware that I generally check my email only once each weekday.