

North Gwinnett High School

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE.....Chemistry TEACHER.....Vanessa Pickett

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Teacher Web Page	http://pickettchemistry.weebly.com
Teacher Support	Help sessions are available before and after school and during the first twenty minutes of lunch. See teacher
(Help sessions etc.)	and school website for specific days and times.

COURSE DESCRIPTION (Published in the Choice Book)

This course addresses the structure of atoms, the structure and properties of matter, and the conservation and interaction of energy and matter. Students will investigate chemistry concepts through experience in laboratories and field work using the process of inquiry. Prerequisites: Biology

COURSE CURRICULUM CONTENT

The entire list of Academic, Knowledge and Skills for each of the following curriculum strands in this course can be accessed through the district web address at www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us

AKS STRANDS	UNITS/TOPICS		
A. Characteristics of Science	1. Matter and Atomic Theory		
B. Academic Knowledge	2. Periodic Table		
	3. Bonding and Chemical Equations		
	4. Stoichiometry		
	5. Solutions and Acids and Bases		
	6. Thermochemistry		
	7. Kinetics		
	8. Gas Laws		

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES

Published Materials	Instructional Supplies			
Glencoe/McGraw Hill: Chemistry – Matter and Change	 Two 1¹/₂ - 2" Ring Binders College-Ruled Paper Scientific Calculator (graphing calculators <u>not</u> allowed) Pencils and Pens Binder Dividers Graph Paper 			

EVALUATION AND GRADING

Assignments	Grade Weights		Grading Scale	
Daily Assignments 5%	Class Assessments	35%	A:	90 and above
Laboratory Reports 15%	• Daily Assignments		B:	80-89
Quizzes 15%	Laboratory Reports		C:	74 – 79
Interim 5%	• Quizzes		D:	70 – 73
Unit Tests/Projects 40%	Interim Assessment	5%	F:	69 or below
Performance Final 5%	Summative Assessment	40%		
Multiple Choice Final 15%	• Unit Tests/Projects			
	Final Exam	20%		
*No retakes on assessments	Performance Final			
	Multiple Choice Final			

HONORS CREDIT

Students are required to earn a minimum of 60 out of 80 possible points.

Unit Tests	Interim & Final Exam	Data Notebook
• 74%-79% - 2 points per test	• 70%-84% - 5 points	• 70-79% - 10 points
• 80% - 89% - 4 points per test	• ≥ 85% - 10 points	• 80-89% - 20 points
• 90%-100% - 6 points per test		• 90-100% - 30 points

LATE POLICY

Daily Assignments	1 day late – highest grade possible 75%			
	2 or more days late – highest grade possible 50%			
	Students will have up to 5 days after the end of the unit to submit assignments.			
	After that time has passed the grade will be 0%.			
Lab Assignments	Students will lose 10% off the grade for a maximum of 70% after 3 days.			
	Students will have up to 5 days after the end of the unit to submit assignments.			
	After that time has passed the grade will be 0%.			

OTHER INFORMATION

Expectations for Academic Success	Additional Requirements/Resources		
 Read daily Ask questions Participate constructively as a team member Proof read written assignments and edit meaningfully Review multiple sources of information Challenge yourself to continuously improve Hand in assignments on time Cheating/Plagiarism Policy (see student handbook) 	 Tutoring is available through the chemistry course team. Monday- Thursday 6:40am - 7:00 am Monday - Thursday 2: 20pm - 2:45 pm Lunch tutoring will be assigned by teacher as needed. Please see your teacher for the name of the instructor and location for the day and time that you choose. You may also find more detailed information on the chemistry course team website at www.northgwinnett.com. Lab Safety Procedures Chemistry Website (www.northgwinnett.com) 		

The syllabus may be updated as needed throughout the semester.

Chemistry Course Team

Teacher(s): Karen Johnson, Vanessa Pickett, Mike Wentzler, Lonnie White, Scott Tinney, Jessica Ames

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before School (6:40 am-7:00 am)	Tinney Room 710	Wentzler Room 213	Wentzler Room 213	Tinney Room 710	
Lunches (1 st 20 minutes): students must be	Johnson 5 th Period Room 703	Ames 4 th Period Room 715	Johnson 5 th Period Room 703	Wentzler 4 th Period Room 213	
present once tardy bell has rung	Pickett 6 th Period Room 704			Pickett 6 th Period Room 74	
After School (2:20pm–2:45	Johnson Room 703	Johnson Room 703	Pickett Room 704	Pickett Room 704	
pm)	Ames Room 715 (AP/Gifted)		Ames Room 715 (AP/Gifted)		

Weekly Intervention Plan

Please note that lunch time interventions will be assigned by the teacher as needed.