

**College Preparatory/Honors/Advanced/Advanced Gifted Chemistry
Course Team Syllabus
2009 - 2010**

<http://sites.google.com/a/northgwinnett.com/nghs-chemistry>

Course Description: College preparatory chemistry deals with the basis for the chemical and physical behavior of elements, compounds, mixtures, and gases. Proper laboratory techniques, experimental procedure, the scientific method and problem-solving process skills, as used in the study of chemistry, will be stressed above memorization..

Course Textbook: *Chemistry: Matter and Change* \$54.95 will be assessed for a damaged or lost textbook.

Materials:

*The following materials must be brought to class daily.

1. Textbook
2. 2 - 3 prong paper folders
3. Scientific calculator
4. Pens and pencils
5. Quadruled Composition book

CP/Honors Weight

40% Tests and Projects
15% Quizzes
15% Labs
5% Daily Assignments/Pop Quizzes
5% Interim 1 (9 week benchmark)

Adv/Gifted Weight

50% Test and Projects
10% Quizzes
10% Labs
5% Daily Assignments/WebAssign/Pop Quizzes
5% Interim 1 (9 week benchmark)

All chemistry classes will have a county 20% Final Exam (Performance Final 5%; MC Final 15%)

Course of Study: Please see the NGHS Chemistry Team website at www.northgwinnett.com for detailed information about the course of study, units, and test and quiz dates.

Honors Credit: All students have an opportunity to earn Honors credit. Please see the chart on the back of this syllabus for information regarding Honors credit.

Attendance: Consistent attendance is absolutely critical to satisfactory performance. The attendance and tardy policies outlined in the student/discipline handbook will be followed.

Makeup Work Policy: Credit recovery for all quizzes up to 70% and 1 test per semester. Credit recovery for tests must be completed before the next unit test date.

Late Work Policy: All students are expected to turn assigned work in on time. Late work will be penalized 30%. Late work will not be accepted after 5 school days. Students with an excused absence will have 5 school days, without penalty for turning in late work, in accordance with the NGHS policy in the student agenda.

Cheating and Plagiarism: Cheating will not be tolerated. The cheating and plagiarism policy outlined in the student/discipline handbook will be followed.

Classroom Rules and Expectations:

1. Please be respectful. Please respect the teacher, other students, and school property.
 2. Please be on time and prepared for class (have your necessary materials in class each day).
 3. Please adhere to all safety regulations.
 4. Do not eat or drink in class. This is a safety issue in a lab class.
- Tests and quizzes are announced at the beginning of each unit. If you are absent the day before a test or a quiz, you are still expected to take the test or quiz.

Daily Assignments:

Will be checked for completion; C = completed assignment; INC = incomplete assignment. These assignments will be compiled into one grade at the end of each unit.

Contact: Please feel free to contact your teacher at any time. Progress reports will be emailed home to the address you have provided to NGHS.

The teacher reserves the right to modify this syllabus at any time based upon student needs, to better ensure student achievement.

Honors Credit per Semester

In order to be eligible:

- Students are required to earn 25 points by the 9 week marking period (October 15, 2009; March 18, 2010)
- Students are required to earn a minimum of 75 points to earn Honors credit for the semester.

Tests	Interim 1 & 2 (Benchmark)/Final Exam	Lab notebook	Journals/Articles
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 pts per test (5 unit tests) Students must correctly answer Honors level questions for points.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80% or above 10 points - 9 week Interim 1 & 2; 10 points - 18 week Final Exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 pts per lab (5 units) 1 lab per unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 pts per article per marking period (9/10/2009, 11/19/2009, 2/11/2010, 4/22/2010)
Total: 50 points	20 points	20 points	10 points