

Chemistry

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Thank you for the privilege of teaching your child this year. The 2010-2011 school year at Roanoke Valley Christian Schools holds great opportunity for your child. The opportunity of learning about God's creation carries with it responsibility. I pray that your child develops Christlike qualities as the challenges of academic responsibilities are encountered.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Chemistry studies God as creator and sustainer of the physical universe. This is a general chemistry course including a foundation in atomic theory, the periodic table, chemical bonding, chemical equations, properties of matter, and nuclear chemistry.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS: Assignments are vital for your child's success. They should be done when assigned in order to provide the foundation needed to master the topic. Makeup work is the responsibility of your child. Late assignments receive LESS credit for each day late. ANY material not entirely your child's should be clearly indicated in writing. Some of the homework and laboratory work will require access to a computer to complete. Quizzes will be given occasionally to check the progress of your child. Tests tell me if your child has mastered the material and receive the greatest weight. Memorization is just the first step of mastery. Physics is a college preparatory class so your child should be able to apply knowledge. Science Fair will be March 21-22, 2010. Homework grades will be given for meeting deadlines. The project will count two test grades on the fourth grading period. Your child will be required to complete a Research Paper during first semester.

GRADING: A weighted grading system is used to determine your child's grade. Tests receive the greatest weight, usually worth about 70% of the term grade. Other grades are weighted about the same but vary based on the length and difficulty of the assignment.

This great privilege of teaching your child carries with it responsibility. If your child fails to follow any of the guidelines listed in the family-school guide, appropriate discipline or loss of points will follow without warning. Pray for me as I work toward the education of your child, and I will pray for God's work in your child's heart.

Information will be posted on the RVCS website. Click on *High School* under *Campus News*. This information changes on a regular basis and will be helpful to your child.

I am available Tuesday and Thursday mornings (7:50 - 8:10) for individual help. Other times can be arranged. Contact me. I want an open line of communication between us.

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