

# <u>Living Environment</u> Mrs. Holtz 2012-2013

Welcome to Living Environment! I look forward to getting to know you, so that we can have a fun and productive year. In order for this to happen, there are expectations that need to be met.

# **Class Expectations:**

- 1) **Respect yourself** and others.
- 2) **Come prepared** to class with a pen/pencil, book, and class binder.
- 3) **Participate appropriately** in class activities (begin working when you enter the classroom, work cooperatively in lab groups, pay attention during class time, etc.)

### Absences:

If you are absent from class, it is your responsibility to make up what you have missed. You may also need to copy notes or class data depending upon days missed. If you miss class due to a field trip or other activity, but are in school at some point, it is your job to come and get your assignment and hand in any homework.

# Binder Requirement:

You will be required to keep a binder, containing loose-leaf notebook paper, specifically for this class.

# Assignments/Grading:

Assignments will be posted clearly for you each day in the same location. Your grade will be split into the following categories:

**Labs (50%)** 30 satisfactory labs (1200 minutes) are required to take the Regents Exam. Students must hand in labs, complete all corrections, and store them in the classroom for them to count toward the total of 30. If a lab is correct and on time, you will receive a 25/25. If it is late, the highest score you can get is a 20/25. If you do not complete corrections, you will receive a 15/25 (failing grade) and it will not count toward your lab total of 30.

**Tests (25%)** – Tests will generally be announced ahead of time, but short quizzes will be used to make sure that students are staying current with their homework.

**Homework (20%)** – Homework will be assigned on a regular basis. Homework assignments that are handed in late (after the start of class) can only receive a maximum score of 50%.

**Binder Check/Behavior (5%)** – Students will fill out their daily warm-ups and assess their behavior on a Weekly Summary Sheet. This will be graded at the end of every week. If students do not have this sheet they will receive a zero for that week.

