Course Outline:
The State of California 8th grade curriculum includes the study of Physical Science in the areas of Physics, Chemistry, and Astronomy. This course will cover the fundamentals in these subjects through textbook study, demonstrations, class discussions, laboratory investigations, and audio-visual materials.

Student Responsibilities:
All students are expected to come to class each day prepared and ready to work.

1. Materials
   a) Spiral Notebook: Single subject to be used for science class only
   b) Guided Reading/Study Workbook: To be given to the student
   c) Pens (black or blue, red), Pencils (sharpened), Eraser, Highlighter, Colored Pencils, White Board Marker, Glue Stick or Tape
   d) Agenda Book: To copy homework and to communicate with parents

2. Attendance and Make-Up Work:
   a) Class work is an essential part of this course. Attendance on a regular basis is necessary for success. When absent, it is YOUR responsibility to find out what you have missed and arrange any necessary make-ups with the teacher. Tests, quizzes, and some labs may be made up by appointment with the teacher.
   b) Some labs may Not be made-up due to supplies or equipment. Therefore students will be assigned an alternate assignment.
   c) Make-up work will only be accepted for a time equal to the number of days of the absence.

Homework:
Homework will be assigned an average of 2 -3 nights per week; however, students are encouraged to study notes every night. Homework will be due at the beginning of the class period. For a list of assignments check my website at www.mrpk.org/mvms.

Extra Credit:
Extra credit is not usually assigned or accepted in this class. However, for those students who have completed all their assigned work, at times there may be an opportunity for extra credit.

Classroom Behavior:
Students are expected to conduct themselves with generally accepted standards of behavior and courtesy. Please review the “Student Conduct” section in the Agenda Book, for specific expectations. Also note the “Behavioral Consequences” section.
Laboratory Investigations Behavior:
Students will be given specific safety rules to follow during laboratory experiments. These rules must be followed for student participation and class safety. General expectations:
1. Stay at your lab station
2. Have fun, be safe, and follow the correct lab procedure
3. At all times, Walk, and Speak Quietly
4. When the teacher is talking, STOP, LOOK, and LISTEN

Grading Policy:
Subject Grades will be based upon scores received on tests, quizzes, labs, homework, class work, participation, and other assignments. The student’s grade will be determined by the percent of total points earned.

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To check your child’s grade online contact the office for your password for Zangle ParentConnection.

Teacher Availability:
Concepts in science can be confusing and therefore students are encouraged to make arrangements for extra help. I am available at 8:30 a.m. most mornings for those students that need extra help or to give make-up assignments. Please arrange an appointment in advance so I am sure to be in my room.

Please sign, detach, and return the bottom portion to your teacher.

Science Block _________
I have read and understand the requirements for _________________ ‘s Science class.
(Student’s name)

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Signature of student     Signature of parent/guardian    Date