

Lindley Sixth Grade Academy

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**LSGA Vision: Empowering all students to perform and achieve at high levels in an ever-changing global society**

**LSGA Mission: One team, on goal, student success**

# Earth Science Syllabus (2018-2019)

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**Textbook:** *HMH Georgia Science*

## *Course Description* Earth Science is primarily the study of our planet, Earth. We will begin by studying our solar system and the Milky Way galaxy. We will explore the composition of the Earth, how it constantly changes, and the forces that cause these changes. We will examine the dynamic processes of the Earth’s interior, surface, oceans, atmosphere, and the hydrosphere. We will also study what causes Earth’s seasons, heat transfer, the moon cycle, tides, and currents.

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| **Dates**  **(Estimate)** | **Topics** |
| Unit 1  (5 weeks) | Solar System and Universe |
| Unit 2  (4 weeks) | Earth and Moon |
| Unit 3  (5 weeks) | Climate and Weather |
| Unit 4  (4 weeks) | Water on the Earth |
| Unit 5  (5 weeks) | The Dynamic Earth |
| Unit 6  (5 weeks) | Rocks and Minerals |
| Unit 7  (5 weeks) | Weathering, Erosion, and Soil |
| Unit 8  (3 weeks) | Energy and Conservation |

***Course Topics and Timeline***

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| **Grade Weight**  **Percentages** | |
| Summative  (Test and Projects) | 35% |
| Formative  (Quizzes, Classwork) | 30% |
| Independent  Practice | 30% |
| Home Work | 5% |

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| **Grading Scale** | |
| 90 – 100 | A |
| 80 - 89 | B |
| 74 - 79 | C |
| 70 - 73 | D |
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| **Tutorials** | |
| Ms. McCoy | Monday - 8:00-8:45 |
| Ms. Roper | Tuesday - 8:00-8:45 |
| Mrs. Castellano | Wednesday – 8:00-8:45 |
| Ms. Coleman | Thursday - 4:30-5:15 |

***Daily Class requirements***

* Students must have 2 composition note books for the year. (not spiral bound)
* Students must have at least **2 pencils/pens** each day.
* **Glue sticks** for theinteractive notebook**.**
* The **Agenda** must be used as a **hall pass** and **recording homework**.

***Conduct Grades*** The following are the standards for determining conduct grades throughout the school.

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| S | Satisfactory | Consistently follows school rules and does not interfere with the learning of others. |
| N | Needs Improvement | Causes minor class disruptions. Only requires verbal warnings to correct misbehaviors. |
| U | Unsatisfactory | Consistently causes classroom disruptions that interfere with the learning of others. Generally does not correct misbehaviors even after warnings. |

***Make-Up Procedure for Absence or Suspension*** Students will be given the **number of days absent** to make up classwork. Suspension assignments will be ready for pick-up at the main office no later than one day after the suspension.

### *Discipline-* Students are expected to adhere to the rules and policies of Lindley Sixth Grade Academy and Cobb County as stated in the student agenda.

***Homework-*** Homework will be provided to students every week. The homework is a series of vocabulary activities. Homework will also be posted on the class blog in the event a student misplaces their homework. A homework assignment will always be provided during school breaks.

**Hallway Procedures*-*** Students will be not be allowed to leave the room during the first 15 minutes of class and the last 15 minutes of class. They will need to have their agenda signed by a professor to leave the room. Locker breaks take place during homeroom and 3rd period (lunch block). No students can leave the classroom after 4:00 pm until professors/administration dismisses them to leave.

***Note-*** This syllabus is a general outline of the earth science course and is subject to modification.

***Signatures***- We (parent/guardian/student) have read the syllabus and understand the requirements for this class.

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