

JUMP START ADVANCED PLACEMENT BIOLOGY

WELCOME TO AP BIOLOGY

Because there is so much material to cover in the course and because I want to have ample time to review before the AP test in May, I want to get off to a fast start. As you may not have time to prepare the Ecology Chapters during the first week or so of school, I recommend that you do the following assignments in the summer. (Assignment due the first day of school)

I would like you to outline (at a rate of about 10 pages per hour---4-5 text pages per outline page) chapters 22, 25 and Chapters 51-56 inclusive. Chapters 2-4 will be due the second week of October so you might want to get a jump start on these chapters as well. (review of chemistry) For your information, making outlines involves sub-setting information, with the largest categories being Roman Numerals (I, II, III, IV, V, VI etc). Then within each Roman Numeral category, the subdivisions are upper case letters (A, B, C...) and then within the uppercase letters, the subdivisions are numbers (1,2,3..). The number level should be sufficient for the sub-setting of this material. Don't be intimidated by all the formatting instructions....outlines make sense as a way of organizing content-dense information and you will get VERY good at it in this course. I hesitate to say you will learn to like outlines, but you might.

Then, you need to highlight (in your outlines) the parts you wish me particularly to explain in the first week. I will go over each assigned chapter and then you will have a unit test on Ecology.

Chapters 22,25, and 51-56 inclusive are due the first day of school no exceptions. All outlines must be typed.

Have a great summer and if you have any questions you may contact me via e-mail brubin@lrhsd.org. I will be away periodically over the summer, but I will get back to you as soon as I am able.

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Please come to A205 before the end of the school year to sign out your textbook .