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# PHYSICS I Course Syllabus 2020-21

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### **Introduction**

My name is Osaro Derrick, I am a 15 year science teacher. I graduated from La Marque High School in 1996 with the school's 1<sup>st</sup> state championship in football. I have a bachelors degree from PVAMU in Biology with a Minor in Chemistry. I fell in love with Physics throughout my teaching career because of its unlimited integration in every aspect of life. I have been teaching Physics at Waltrip for three years.

### **Course Overview**

The purpose of this Physics I course is to provide the prospective student with an intense, student-centered, highly-engaging, academic program which will provide a connection and understanding of the PHENOMENONS of the world and the universe.

#### **Student Expectations**

The prospective student will be responsible for the completion of all assignments assigned in a timely fashion. The prospective student will follow the rule set forth in the student handbook adopted by the district. The prospective student will be in class promptly. The prospective student will be prepared for class with all the supplies necessary for acquiring new knowledge.

## **Classroom Rules**

- 1. Talking while I'm giving instruction is unacceptable.
- 2. Use school appropriate language.
- 3. Respect yourself and others around you.
- 4. Follow Waltrip HS/ CHAMPS expectations set forth daily.

### **Consequences**

Positive	Negative
<ul> <li>Verbal Accolades</li> </ul>	1. Verbal Warning
<ul> <li>Public/ Private recognitions</li> </ul>	2. Student-Teacher Conference
<ul> <li>Additional Points on Exam</li> </ul>	3. Parent/ Guardian Call (write-up)
<ul> <li>Stickers</li> </ul>	4. Parent/Student/Teacher Conference
Parent/ Guardian Call	5. Sent to Principal

<sup>\*</sup>All consequences are given at the discretion of the teacher.

### **Grading policy**

Major Grade- 35% (test and projects)

**Laboratory Grade-** 30%

Classwork Grade- 25% (Quizzes, daily assignments)

Participation Grade-10% (Students activity level, awarded at the teacher's discretion)

- **Late-assignments** will receive a 5-point deduction every day until received (Up to 7 days from original due date.)\* (If the end of the grading period is within 7 days, then the assignment will be due on a day designated by Mr. Derrick.)
- All missing assignments will receive a zero, if left unfulfilled.
- The **<u>student</u>** is responsible for all missing assignments due to absence.
- Extra credit work will not be given.
- The student is responsible for scheduling test after absence.

# **Program Expectations**

- Students are capable of success
- Students deserve respect and should expect the best education that we can provide
- Students should be self-motivated and self-disciplined
- Administration and staff will work to achieve a disciplined and safe environment
- Students are worthy of success and respect
- Students are ultimately responsible for their educational success
- Students will succeed with the help of my teachers

# **Tardy Policy**

Students are required to be in class at the scheduled time daily. Students without a pass, who do not show up on time for class will be in violation and considered tardy. After receiving 3 tardies, students will be written-up and a parent contact will be made.

### **Bullying Policy**

**BULLYING IS NOT TOLERATED IN Houston ISD.** 

## **Supplies**

- Composition Notebook
- Writing utensils (Black/ Blue Pen, Pencils, Map pencils)
- Paper (College Rule)
- Student Laptop
- Book: Physics-Principles and Problems (Mc Graw Hill)

### Quote

"Intelligence plus character that is the goal of education."\_MLK

### **HUB**

### Remind 101

https://www.remind.com/join/mroderri

**Explorelearning.com** (Gizmos)

**Socrative.com** 

**Microsoft TEAMS** 

	Measure/ Describing Motion	
1 <sup>st</sup> 6 weeks 9/8-10/16	Motion in One Dimension	
	Gravitational Force	
	Force	
2 <sup>nd</sup> 6weeks 10/19-12/4	Motion in Two Dimension	
	Mechanical Energy Momentum & Impulse	
3 <sup>rd</sup> 6 weeks 12/7-1/28/21	Work Energy Energy Transformations	
	Conservation of Energy/ Momentum	
	Thermodynamics/ Thermal Energy	
4 <sup>th</sup> 6 weeks 2/1-3/12	Wave Propagation/ Characteristics/ Behaviors of Sound Waves	
	Electromagnetic Waves/ Image Formation	
5 <sup>th</sup> 6 weeks 3/22-4/30	Electric/ Magnetic Forces	
	Electric Circuits	
	Photoelectric Effect/ Atomic physics	
6 <sup>th</sup> 6 weeks 5/3-6/11	Application of Atomic/ Nuclear Physics	
	STEM Research	