



## Royal West Academy

### Course Outline

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|---------------------|---|-------|-----|
| Course:             | Science & Technology (555-404) (ST)<br>Science & Technology of the Environment (558-404) (EST)  |       |     |
| Teacher:            | L. Kissin   | Room: | 305 |
| E-mail:             | lkissin@emsb.qc.ca  |       |     |
| Texts/workbooks:    | Observatory - The Environment Workbook  |       |     |
| Course description: | This science program creates a single discipline by integrating technology with the scientific fields of biology, chemistry, geology and physics. The program's content is organized into 2 courses which the students are completing simultaneously. |       |     |

### Materials

- Section of a binder for keeping notes and handouts
- Plastic folder with a small Hillroy notebook (32pages) for labs
- Pens, pencils, erasers, ruler, non-programmable calculator, loose leaf paper

### Evaluation

| Term 1 (20%)   |   |                                |
|--|---|--------------------------------|
| <i>Competencies Targeted</i>   | <i>Evaluation Methods</i>   | <i>Timeline</i>                |
| Practical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Seeks answers or solutions to scientific or technological problems and communicates in the language used in science and technology</li> </ul> Theoretical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Makes the most of his/her knowledge of science and technology and communicates in the language used in science and technology</li> </ul> | Lab Reports and online simulations ( <i>Evaluated but will only be displayed on term 2 report card</i> )<br><br>Tests, Quizzes, Assignments | ~ 3 reports<br><br>2 – 3 tests |

| Term 2 (20%)   |   |             |
|--|---|-------------|
| Competencies Targeted  | Evaluation Methods  | Timeline    |
| Practical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seeks answers or solutions to scientific or technological problems and communicates in the language used in science and technology</li> </ul> | Lab Reports and online simulations                            | ~ 3 reports |
| Theoretical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Makes the most of his/her knowledge of science and technology and communicates in the language used in science and technology</li> </ul>    | Tests, Quizzes, Assignments<br><br><b>Midyear Theory Exam</b> | 2 – 3 tests |

| Term 3 (60%)   |                                    |             |
|--|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Competencies Targeted  | Evaluation Methods                 | Timeline    |
| Practical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seeks answers or solutions to scientific or technological problems and communicates in the language used in science and technology</li> </ul> | Lab Reports and online simulations | ~ 3 reports |
| Theoretical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Makes the most of his/her knowledge of science and technology and communicates in the language used in science and technology</li> </ul>    | Tests, Quizzes, Assignments        | 2 – 3 tests |

**Note on Evaluation:**

- All lab report grades will fall under the practical competency and the same grade will be given for both courses, ST & EST.
- Tests, quizzes and assignments will fall under the theoretical competency. However, content will be divided by course. This means that when a test or assignment is given, two marks may appear at the top of the page, one for ST and the other for EST. Separate marks will appear for each course on the report card.
- In June, students will write two separate theory exams: ST & EST.**
- Reminder:** Students must complete a science fair project at least once during grades 8 to 10. Those students who have not yet completed a science fair project will have to do so this year. The science fair grade will appear on the final report card of the year.

## END OF YEAR RESULTS

The final mark for ST will be calculated as shown below:

| ST END OF YEAR RESULT |   |               |   |               |   |   |              |                    |
|-----------------------|---|---------------|---|---------------|---|---|--------------|--------------------|
| Term 1<br>20%         | + | Term 2<br>20% | + | Term 3<br>60% | = | % | + moderation | MELS Examination % |

TBD % (school mark) + TBD % (exam mark) = END OF YEAR RESULT

The final mark for EST will be calculated as shown below:

| EST END OF YEAR RESULT |   |               |   |               |   |   |                           |                         |
|------------------------|---|---------------|---|---------------|---|---|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Term 1<br>20%          | + | Term 2<br>20% | + | Term 3<br>60% | = | % | School Board<br>Exam<br>% | <u>or</u> School Exam % |

TBD % (school mark) + TBD % (exam mark) = END OF YEAR RESULT

### Additional Information / Specifications

- 1) If a student misses a test it becomes their responsibility to schedule a re-write on the day they return. The student will be asked to submit a **valid note** for their absence on the day of the test. Failure to submit a valid note may result in a mark of zero.
- 2) Grades will be posted on the **Mozaik Portal**. Please make sure you verify marks regularly. Every time I post a mark, I will alert parents that I have done so.
- 3) Failure to submit assignments and lab reports on time will result in a mark penalty of 10% per school day.
- 4) Plagiarism, which may include copying another person's work (e.g. a lab report) and cheating on a test, results in an automatic mark of zero. Read the Student Agenda for more information about the school's plagiarism policy.
- 5) **Students are required to use non-graphing calculators during all tests.**

**Communication:**

- Students will be receiving a progress report (October) and three report cards (November, March and June)
- Course updates, materials, answer keys and other important information will be made available to students via **Google Classroom**. Assignments will also be submitted using this platform.
- Students must arrive on time and in uniform to class. Should they arrive late, I will ask that they contribute \$0.25 to the Malala charity (for which I fundraise).
- Please feel free to contact me by email at [lkissin@emsb.qc.ca](mailto:lkissin@emsb.qc.ca) if you have any questions or concerns.

**Remediation Schedule****DAY 3:** 12:30pm-1:10pm**DAY 4:** 3:00pm to 3:55pm

*I am always available to make appointments at other times simply send me an email or come and see me in person.*

**\*\*Important note to students and parents/guardians regarding course outlines\*\***

Please note that the information on this outline may need to be modified as the year progresses. Rest assured that any changes made will be done so to reflect what we feel is best to maximize student success.