Welcome to 8th Grade Health Class



The main focal points in 8th grade health is CPR / First Aid, Relational Aggression, Depression and Suicide, and Sexual Health. See the 8 health standards on the wall!

If you are a student who has health on Monday and Wednesday you are considered a week 1 student. This means if we are on a week 1 schedule you will have health class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

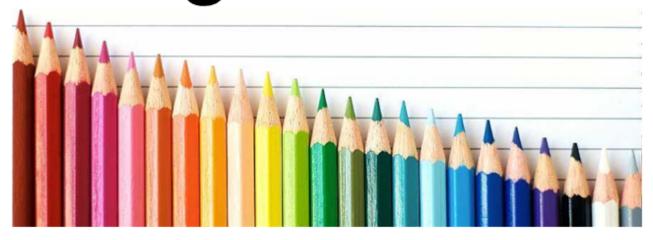


If you are a student who has health on Tuesday and Thursday you are considered a week 2 student. This means if we are on a week 2 schedule you will have health class on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.



This week is a week 1. You can tell that it is a week 1 by looking at the sign on the classroom door. I believe Mrs. Nelson might have a 'week 1' and 'week 2' sign up also.

What will I need to bring to class?



- Folder to keep handouts and corrected assignments (keep old assignments until semester is finished)
 - Old used notebook with a handful of blank sheets in it or loose-leaf paper in a binder
 - Writing utensil dark pen (no yellow its hard to read) and / or pencil
 - Correcting PEN any form of red (orange, red, maroon or pink etc.)
 - Skyward set up and accessible
 - Planners to record assignments



BE ON TIME! As with any class, you are expected to be to class on time. That means in your seat with your materials out and ready to learn. If you are late, you are expected to have a signed pass from a teacher, principal, or office employee. We do keep track of tardies! If you need to use the restroom, check in with me first so you wont be considered late.



If you are absent it is YOUR resonsibility to contact me about what you missed. Do this the day you are back (even if you don't see me until the next day). If you are feeling better you can check the classroom website or email me to get the assignment / information. If you are absent the day before a long term assignment is due, the assignment is still due on the assigned date. If you are sick the day before a test that was noted earlier, you may still be expected to take the test on the assigned day. You will have the amount day days absent plus one to hand it an assignment.

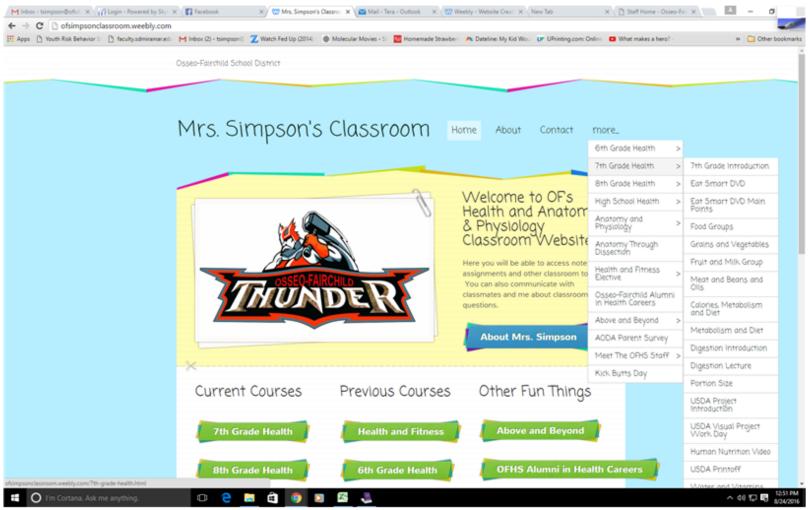
Chromebooks



We have a classroom set of chromebooks. They will NEVER leave the classroom. You will only use the chromebook that is assigned to you. Check gray binder if you forget which is yours. Report any damage as soon as you get your chromebook so that you do not get blamed and charged for it. Chromebooks will only get plugged in to charge after hour 8.

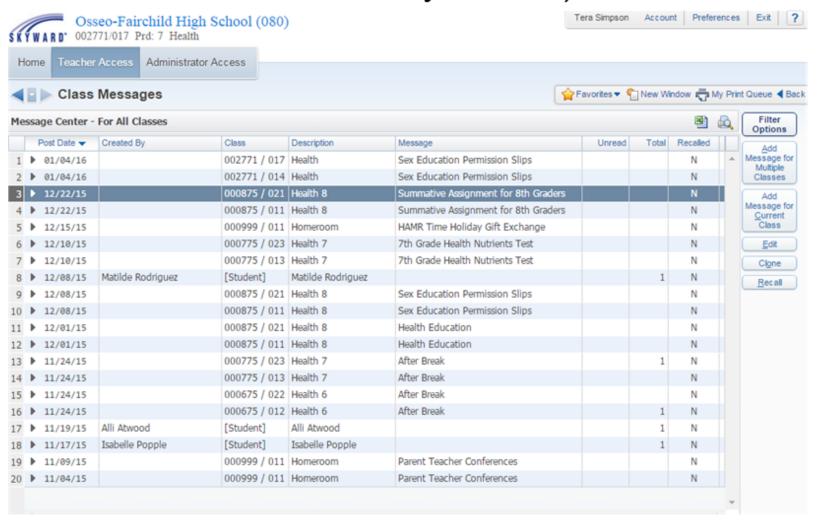
Resources that you can use to get missed information:

www.ofsimpsonclassroom.weebly.com
Lets all practice getting to the website. Once you are there,
bookmark it for future use. You bookmark something by clicking
the star up on the taskbar until its yellow.



Resources that you can use to get missed information:

 Skyward - with tests and big point assignments I will post a message with any attachments that may go along with it (usually as a link to my website)



Resources that you can use to get missed information:

- I will also have a limited number of hard copies in my classroom. You can find old assignments in the color drawer that matches your grade.
- If you have any questions, please email me. My email gets sent to my phone so if you don't hear from me within a couple hours try emailing again (unless its like 3am...you should be asleep!) My email is tsimpson@ofsd.k12.wi.us

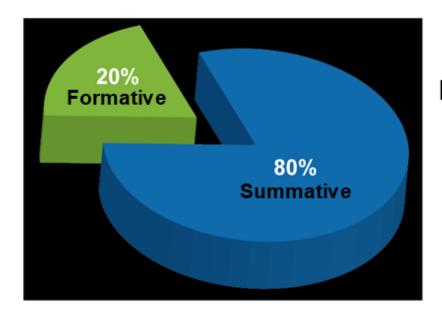


• If something comes up beyond your control (family emergency, three tests to study for in one night, etc), and you took the appropriate measures to help yourself (emailed me, checked skyward, looked at website etc.) and you still did not get an assignment done, see me BEFORE school to let me know what happened. If you wait until I am collecting the assignment in class or taking a quiz etc. I will assume you forgot.



Grading

Basically, tests and projects count for more than what normal assignments do. This is because it is assessing the cummulative information from a chapter or unit.



"Formative" assignments are things like worksheets, daily assignments and quizes. These grades will account for 20% of your total grade. In 8th grade, this grade comes mostly from 1-2 quizzes or in class activities per week on material covered.

"Summative" assessments include things like tests and large projects. These hold more weight and account for 80% of your grade.

Grading Scale

Even though it may seem as if the quizzes or homework doesn't matter because it only equals 20% of the total grade, a student who gets 100% on EVERY test will still only get a Bif she never does homework or doesn't prepare for quizzes. Plus the homework and quizzes are practice for the test so she will probably not get 100% on the tests if she doesn't practice.

Retake opportunities will only be available on summative assessments and will be a different form and will be addressed after each test. Students who CHOOSE to retake their tests will have one week to do so. Students who must FIX may be awarded more time to prepare.

A = 92-100%

A = 90-91%

B+ = 88-89%

B = 82-87%

B- = 80-81%

C+ = 78-79%

C = 72-77%

C = 70-71%

D+ = 68-69%

D = 62-67%

D- = 60-61%

F = 59% and below

PS: I do NOT round up. You get what you have earned.

Be Respectful!!!



In health class sometimes we cover some things that may be considered sensitive topics. Participate and ask questions but make sure that we always try to make everyone feel comfortable in this class.

NO cell phone use in class. This includes work time. I will take it. Consider this your warning.



Did you know that research shows that even having your phone in sight (even face down) decreases concentration rate?

Models and lab items are expensive. Treat them as a learning tool. Never touch anything without my permission.



Bring water bottles and stay hydrated!!!



No food or beverages (other than water).



This includes no gum.



Keep all four legs of the chairs on the floor at all times. Please don't sit on tables.



Talk to me!!!

If you need help with something please ask.

Also, I love hearing about things that you did on the weekend, the game that you won last night, the dance recital, your new baby brother, the new puppy etc.!!!