**Honors Chemistry Syllabus/2011-2012/Mrs. Ahmed**

**Website**: [www.usi.edu/ahmed](http://www.usi.edu/ahmed) (contains daily plan page and book website)

**Course Goal:** To prepare students for AP Chemistry and/or the first year of college chemistry

**Supplies:** (needed daily for class)

* Text: Chemistry Matter and Change (Glenco)
* 3 ring binder (1 inch or 1 ½ inch) may be hard or soft-sided (my preference), but no zips or Velcro please!
* Set of 5 divider tabs with labels (Notes, HW, References, Labs, Tests)
* Lined notebook paper (loose leaf/no spiral)
* Pencils (all quizzes and tests), Pens (optional for class notes)
* Calculator with scientific notation capability

**Grade Breakdown:**

**Quarterly Semester**

60% Tests 40% First Semester

25% Lab 40% Second Semester

15% Daily Work (notebook, HW, quizzes) 20% (Final Exam)

**General Policies:**

No electronic devices (besides calculators) should be used in class. Computer access will be needed at home.

Drinks are allowed in the classroom, but not in lab. All containers should be recycled, reusable containers preferred.

For block classes, breaks will be given on most days so please wait for them.

Please sign up for lunch at home or before school.

**Late Policy:**

Any late assignment or lab report is subject to a 20% deduction.

**In Case of Absence:**

Check “plan page” to see what assignment is due the next class. If a test or quiz is scheduled, be prepared for it.

If a lab is missed, be sure to schedule a make-up time as soon as possible.

Labs and or tests will most likely need to be made up outside of the school day.

***Helpful Hint***: The most important thing one may do to be successful in the class is to ATTEND class EVERY day!

**Extra Help/Tutoring/Parent Conferences:**

Extra help is often available after school or during lunch. Please send me an e-mail or stop by and ask for an available time slot if you are interested. I would much rather help you SOONER rather than later! Parents can e-mail with any concerns or call the school (421-1820) to set up a conference.