# Reynolds High School 2024-25 Astronomy Syllabus

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### **Description:**

Astronomy is a class that introduces basic ideas and concepts of astronomy. In this class you will explore your sense of wonder and expand your curiosity to learn about the cosmos and everything contained in it. You will experience at least 6 different ways to think about the material presented.

Semester 1 (Sept-Jan) Semester 2 (Feb-Jun)	Content breakdown:	
<ul> <li>Life of an astronaut</li> </ul>	This course will include all the following content.	
<ul> <li>Ancient astronomy</li> </ul>	• Lecture	
The Big bang	<ul> <li>Short videos</li> </ul>	
• Galaxies	Relevant movies	
<ul> <li>Solar systems</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Projects</li> </ul>	
• Stars	<ul> <li>Summary papers</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Supernovas</li> </ul>	Quizzes	
<ul> <li>Planets</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Moons</li> </ul>		
Black holes		
<ul> <li>Asteroids/meteors/comets</li> </ul>		

Late work and due dates: There are four due dates.		Grades	
These dates coincide with the quarter progress		Your grades will be based on the following:	
check and the	semester dates.		
		Notes	20%
November 7 <sup>th</sup>	Midterm of semester 1 (Q1)	Projects/assignments	30%
January 22 <sup>nd</sup>	End of semester 1 (Q2)	Quizzes	50%
April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Midterm of semester 2 (Q3)		
June 9 <sup>th</sup>	End of semester 2 (Q4)		

## **Mastery checks**

There are no tests in this course. Your mastery check will consist of short unit summary/paper or a short quiz of no more than 10 questions.

#### Homework

This course will not require work to be done outside of class, (No homework). This course is designed so that all material covered and related work can be completed during class time.

## **Supplies**

- Composition notebooks.
- Chromebooks
- Pen or Pencils

## **Classroom rules**

- Be respectful of everyone and their space.
- Be safe. Use good judgment during class. Your safety and the safety of your classmates is the number one priority.
- Follow along and pay attention. In addition to learning the material presented, you never know if something you come across peaks you interest and leads you to a new adventure in learning.
- No phones during class. In accordance with the district policy, there are no phone out during class time. In addition to this policy, I have already gone over my classroom expectation for phones and electronic use during class.

Student Name (Print):	Period:
Student Signature:	Date:
Parent Signature:	Date: