Welcome to **Honors Biology!**

Please join our Google Classroom for the Summer Assignment: ifj3ntw

This is an advanced honors course designed to prepare you exhaustively for the college science courses you will take. It also serves as a prerequisite course for AP Biology at ASFG. Honors Biology will be *rigorous* and demand your time and dedication both in and out of the classroom. The work for this course will begin during the summer to ensure that everyone starts the class with the same prerequisite knowledge.

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Required materials:

- Well-organized binder
- Lined paper and organizer for binder
- Pen, pencil, eraser, ruler, and calculator
- ASFG-issued laptop and Google Classroom
- Lab coat

Summer Assignment 2023

You must join the <u>Google Classroom for the Summer Assignment</u>. All of the summer homework outlined in this document can be found in Google Classroom, where you will find "suggested" deadlines assigned to each piece of work that will appear in your calendar. The dates are **suggestions** (not requirements) and their express purpose is to help you manage your summer work. The alternative is that you race to finish everything during the final days of summer. That sounds stressful, doesn't it? As we will learn in class, the neurochemistry of stress significantly inhibits learning and long-term memory, which are exactly the things you want to enhance while taking classes at ASFG. So please consider my invitation to make progress following the suggested deadlines in Google Classroom.

The summer assignment consists of multiple components: videos and readings to review and take notes, small activities and quizzes to check understanding, a packet to help you start **memorizing chemical structures** that you will need to be familiar with for this course, and an exam during the first week of class. The asynchronous part of the Summer Assignment will take less than 10 hours total to complete, but you will be more effective in your learning of the material if you spread out your work.

<u>Instructions</u>

- Join the Google Classroom for the Summer Assignment
- Setup your binder so that you can take organized notes on Summer Assignment materials
- Review the resources (readings, videos, and activities) posted in the Summer Assignment and complete them <u>before</u> the first day of class in August.
- There will be an **exam** on the Summer Assignment during the first week of class. It is recommended that students who fail the test withdraw from the class.