



Fundamentals of Animal Science

Course Description:

Fundamentals of Animal Science/Lab*

Credits: 1	Approved CTE Course
Prerequisites: Biology is essential for success	Grade: 11,12

This course involves the study of animal anatomy, physiology, behavior, nutrition, reproduction, health, selection, and marketing. Students will consider the perceptions and preferences of individuals within local, regional, and world markets. Students will learn the characteristics of animal science and work on major projects and problems like those that veterinarians, zoologists, livestock producers, and industry personnel face in their respective careers.

Attendance: Students are required to be in school every day. Students are responsible for communicating with their teachers to make up missed learning.

Essential Skills:

S K I L L # 1	Safety
	A. I can explain and identify safe practices.
	B. I can demonstrate and use safe practices.
	C. I can create or critique safe agricultural practices.
S K I L L # 2	Agricultural Literacy
	A. I can use relevant terminology and identify common items used in a variety of agricultural contexts.
	B. I can describe and discuss the impact of agricultural concepts on society.
	C. I can develop products for use in the real world.
S K I L L # 3	Applied Science
	A. I can analyze and interpret scientific representations and data sources.
	B. I can identify and use proper scientific processes in laboratory and field settings.
	C. I can make scientifically sound management recommendations.

Course Expectations: Although not everything is graded, everything is important. In order to demonstrate growth and learning, students will need to:

1. Participate in class activities (take notes, work in a group, complete in class tasks, ask questions) without distractions (cell phones, games, etc.)

2. Use morning time and teacher to seek help outside of class when needed.
3. Complete all assessments within teacher timelines.

Grading

Learning (Practice) includes instructional activities in and outside of class and are not used in grade determination.

Skyward Assessment (Grades) may include quizzes, labs, learning checks, tests, speeches, performances, and projects.

Final Grade	
A	100% - 90%
B	80% - 89%
C	70% - 79%
D	60% - 69%
F	0% - 59%

Calculations:

Semester Grade	
Semester Grade	95%
Semester Exam	5%
Final Grade	
Semester 1	50%
Semester 2	50%

Central High School Courses:

- Will determine grades based on student learning and growth.
- Will not include practice and behavior in grade determination.
- Will give all students regardless of absence an opportunity to demonstrate learning.
- Will not include extra credit.

Instructional Resources:

Online	Print	Other
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Course Calendar/Pacing:

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Assessment Rubrics

Students will be assessed on their skill development using the following assessment rubrics. Students will have multiple opportunities to show growth and proficiency throughout the year. Their final grade will reflect their level of proficiency in these skills not an average of their scores on assignments and assessments throughout the year. Parents will receive updates on skill development after in class conferences with the teacher.

Skill 1: Safety			
SKILL 1A - I can explain and identify safe practices.			
EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)
Students can identify many safe practices in a diverse range of settings in the classroom, laboratory, and field.	Students can identify most safe practices in a diverse range of settings in the classroom and laboratory.	Students can identify some safe practices in a diverse range of settings in the classroom and laboratory.	Students can identify a few safe practices in a diverse range of settings in the classroom and laboratory.

SKILL 1B - I can demonstrate and use safe practices.

EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)
Students utilize their knowledge of safe practices to make decisions that keep themselves safe in diverse settings and actively improve or ensure the safety of others.	Students utilize their knowledge of safe practices to make decisions that keep themselves safe in diverse settings most of the time.	Students utilize their knowledge of safe practices to make decisions that keep themselves safe in diverse settings some of the time.	Students utilize their knowledge of safe practices to make decisions that keep themselves safe in diverse settings, but occasionally put themselves or others at risk.

SKILL 1C - I can create or critique safe agricultural practices.

EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)
Students can create or critique safety practices, in verbal or written form, in a way that reduces diverse risks and includes universal safety concerns.	Students can create or critique safety practices, in verbal or written form, in a way that reduces diverse risks and considers universal safety concerns.	Students can create or critique safety practices, in verbal or written form, in a way that reduces diverse risks, but does not consider universal concerns.	Students can create or critique safety practices, in verbal or written form, in a way that reduces some risks, and does not consider universal concerns.

Skill 2: Agricultural Literacy

SKILL 2A - I can use relevant terminology and identify common items used in a variety of agricultural contexts.

EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)

Students demonstrate a high growth in their use of agricultural terms, and ability to identify common species and tools in diverse agricultural fields.	Students demonstrate a significant growth in their use of agricultural terms, and ability to identify common species and tools in diverse agricultural fields.	Students demonstrate some growth in their use of agricultural terms, and ability to identify common species and tools in diverse agricultural fields.	Students demonstrate minimal growth in their use of agricultural terms, and ability to identify common species and tools in diverse agricultural fields.
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SKILL 2B - I can describe and discuss the impact of agricultural concepts on society.

EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)
Student can describe and/or discuss how agriculture impacts society on private, community, and global scales.	Student can describe and/or discuss how agriculture impacts society on private and community scales.	Student can describe and/or discuss how agriculture impacts society and the private lives of people.	Student can describe and/or discuss how agriculture impacts their personal lives and homes.

SKILL 2C - I can develop products for use in the real world.

EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)
Students can develop and use tools, documents, and practices which meet industry standards with an extremely high degree of professionalism.	Students can develop and use tools, documents, and practices which meet industry standards with a high degree of professionalism.	Students can develop and use tools, documents, and practices which approach industry standards with some professionalism.	Students can develop and use tools, documents, and practices which attempt industry standards with little professionalism.

Skill 3: Applied Science

SKILL 3A - I can analyze and interpret scientific representations and data sources.

EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)

Students can accurately gather, use, and interpret data in the classroom, laboratory, and field settings .	Students can accurately gather, use, and interpret data in classroom and laboratory settings .	Students can gather, use, and interpret data with some inaccuracies in the classroom or laboratory settings .	Students inaccurately gather, use, and interpret data in classroom or laboratory settings .
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SKILL 3B - I can identify and use proper scientific processes in laboratory and field settings.

EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)
Students follow and describe scientific procedures which maximize effect of the process, improve data quality, and maintain high-quality equipment.	Students follow, or correct procedures when missed, which maintain effect of the process, quality data, and high-quality equipment.	Students miss steps in procedures which negatively impact the effect of the process, data quality, and maintenance of equipment.	Students miss steps in procedures which severely impact the effect of process, create unusable data , and/or damage equipment .

SKILL 3C - I can make scientifically sound management recommendations.

EXCEEDS PROFICIENCY (4)	MEETS PROFICIENCY (3)	APPROACHING PROFICIENCY (2)	DEVELOPING FOUNDATIONS (1)
Students accurately use and cite scientific processes, models, data analysis, and mathematical applications, leading to high quality management practices.	Students accurately use and cite scientific processes, models, data analysis, and mathematical applications, leading to quality management practices.	Students use scientific processes, models, data analysis, and mathematical applications with some inaccuracies , leading to flawed management practices.	Students use scientific processes, models, data analysis, and mathematical applications with multiple inaccuracies , leading to problematic management practices.