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Extra Help: If you need help please contact me and we can set up a time to meet. I am available at lunch and after school. There will also a physics teacher in the math help center on Monday and Wednesday after school till 4pm in room 201. I will be in there every Monday.

### Description

This course is an introduction to the field of Physics. In this course students will learn concepts, strategies, and techniques to help them understand the inner workings of our universe. This course will also provide student with the basic level of understanding to progress with careers in Engineering, Aeronautics, Astronomy, Video Game engine design, and many others.

# **Main Themes**

**Classical Mechanics** 

Kinematics, Dynamics, Energy Work, Momentum

**Modern Physics** 

Optics, Special Relativity, Nuclear Physics, Astronomy

#### **Evaluation**

In this course you will not regularly receive percentage grades. Instead you will be evaluated based on a competency model. Each Unit will be broken up into several competencies, these will include practical, experimental, and theoretical competencies.

Once you have demonstrated your understanding of a competency, you will get it checked off. Your final mark will be based on how many competencies you have gotten checked off in total. You will have unit tests, as well as a non-punitive midterm and final. You must write the final in order to pass the class.

### **Expectations**

It is expected that students show up to class on time, ready to work, and follow along with the lesson. This means bringing a pencil, eraser, calculator and paper. Homework and assignments should be attempted and students are expected to seek help and put in extra study time if needed. Phones should not be used during lessons or presentations, but will be permitted so long as they do not interfere with your learning. Food and Drink are allowed so long as no messes are made.

Students missing class are expected to make up any missed notes, assignments, tests or activities on their own time.

## Cheating

Cheating or plagiarising work will not be accepted for marks. If a student shows chronic cheating in the class they may be removed from the class permanently.

## Website

http://parkland.sd63.bc.ca/enrol/index.php?id=311

All notes and assigned work will be posted to the website below. To access these files logon as guest using the password: N3wton.