Science is the systematic study of the natural world which includes the totality of the physical and biological factors that have and continue to influence the evolution of living organisms.

1. Conduct an investigation to provide evidence that living things are made of cells; either one cell or many different numbers and types of cells.

2. Develop and use a model to describe the function of a cell as a whole and ways parts of cells contribute to the function.

3.

Participation in class activities is crucial, therefore attendance will seriously impact the final grade. Tardiness causes problems for the entire class when you miss directions for lab, so being later than 10 minutes more than 3 times will be an unexcused absence. After that, any late arrivals over 15 minutes will be graded as an absence for the entire class. Excused absences must be made up but will not lower this grade. Attendance grades will be calculated as follows:

1 Absence	100%
2 Absences	75%
3 Absences	50%
4 Absences	25%
More than 4	0%

My VSU email:

should only be used if it is urgent

Class emails are not text messages and are expected to be written coherently. My title is and you should start any email with that included in a greeting. The first thing you should do is tell me because I have several. The next sentence should contain the After you explain yourself, you should close the message properly.

Members of the class are expected to maintain high standards of integrity. This course will use the VSU Handbook Code of Ethics as a basic standard of behavior, and everyone in the class is required to read the Biology Department Plagiarism Policy: <u>http://www.valdosta.edu/colleges/arts-sciences/biology/documents/resources/PlagiarismPolicy.pdf</u> Evidence of dishonest conduct or cheating will result in no credit for the assignment and depending on the case, a grade of "F" for the course. Do not expect leniency for claims on the grounds of not knowing better. You will be reported to the Dean of Students and letter of concern documenting the problem will be sent to the College of Education. Be aware that employers such as school systems do call that office at VSU to check on whether you have a record of infractions.

I support all students regardless of immigration status or country of origin. As a Dreamer Ally, I support Dreamer students and promote their sense of belonging and safety as they pursue their higher education goals. For more information and resources about higher education visit a website for another university until we have something this on our VSU website: https://international.uoregon.edu/immigration_fag. I commit to not sharing your status with anyone if you reveal it to me. I also remind you that

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