Course Description: In eighth grade science we get to learn so many exciting things: a bit of chemistry, motion and forces, energy forms and transformations, light and sound waves, some astronomy basics, human impact on the environment, implications of statistics in our world, and much more. Finally, you get to use some (a lot) of MATH in science! Because viruses are still a thing, we can’t promise that this year will be completely without snags, but we can promise we will do everything in our power to make your learning fun, meaningful, challenging, and inspiring. We will work hard, ask great questions, think deeply, explore our world, and laugh together.

Class Expectations:
Be on time: This means you will enter the room, take your assigned seat, and begin the daily set question.
Be prepared: Please bring your materials and have any assignments completed.
Be involved: Class is a great experience when you participate in all activities, labs, discussions, and assignments with enthusiasm and focus.
Be aware: Please remember you are a crucial part of our learning community, and this means knowing there is a time and a place for sitting or dancing, speaking or listening, focusing or being silly. Situational awareness is a skill we really focus on with 8th graders to prepare them for their future.

Grading Policy: We will be using 1-4 grading as per the district policy.

Homework Policy: Please do your homework if it is assigned, which is very rarely.

How to get work when you are absent: Your work is posted on Google Classroom. Please look there before asking your instructor for further clarification. When you are absent, the work does not disappear; you will be expected to keep up with your learning.

Class Materials:
- Composition notebook (college ruled or grid) and either a folder or 1” 3-ring binder
- Pencil with eraser
- Basic calculator
- iPad provided to you by the district