

AP BIOLOGY

2010-2011

Welcome to AP Biology 2010-2011. If you are already enrolled to take AP Biology next year, or plan to add AP Biology, please be aware of the following. As scheduled now, AP Biology will be period 1 and period 2.

1. There is a **summer assignment**. I suggest that you complete this assignment in August shortly before the start of school. That way it will be fresh in your mind at the beginning of the school year.
2. Check out an AP Biology book from the textbook room. Biology by Campbell, et al. 5th Edition. Alternately, you can purchase your own copy of the book from a web site, new or used. It is the most widely used AP Biology textbook in the nation and is widely available. You may use the 5th or 6th edition; they are very similar and should be cheap on the web since there is now an 8th edition.
3. Read Ch. 1 as an introduction to the textbook. No written assignment.
4. Read/study the Ecology Chapters in Unit 8, Ch. 50, 52-55 (skip Ch. 51 for now). You should be able to answer most of the questions and quiz at the end of the textbook chapters. The answers are at the end of the book. No need to write out answers or turn in since the answers are provided.
5. Outline Ch. 52. Use the old, standard format for an outline with alternating Roman numerals and numbers, sub categories, caps and lower case. The outline will be due the end of the first week of school so you could put it off until school starts, but- I would recommend you start early so that the first few weeks of school are more manageable.
6. We will cover Ecology first, then Animal Behavior (Ch. 51), then go back to the beginning of the textbook and go in order chapter by chapter. We start with Ecology since it is the easiest chapter in the book.
7. For any questions, see me in room 212 or e mail me at mmendez@marinavikings.org, any time, including the summer.

