

## **Freshmen Survey 2020-2021**

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### **Course Description**

Freshmen Survey is a branch off of Perth Amboy's very own Freshmen Academy. This class was designed for you to create a potential path for your futures. You will be introduced to many different career options to find the one that best fits your interests.

Specifically in my portion of the course, you will learn about the different careers within the Health Science department such as, Doctors, Nurses, Wellness Coaches, etc. This class is meant to be fun so don't stress and let's get creative!

### **Topics**

Unit 1: Student Interests and Professions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Name of Profession</li><li>● What does that Profession Do</li><li>● Work Environment</li><li>● Salary</li></ul>	Unit 3: Issues in Public Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Climate Change</li><li>● Pandemics</li><li>● Statistical Data</li></ul>
Unit 2: Public Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● What is Public health?</li><li>● What jobs are in public health?</li></ul>	Unit 4: Sports Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● What is Sports Medicine?</li><li>● Concussions and CTE</li><li>● Anatomy of the Brain</li></ul>

### **Grading Policy**

As per the Perth Amboy District Grading Policy, grades are based upon the following categories:

Gradebook Assignment Categories	Grades 3-12 Values
<b>Formal and Informal Assessments</b> (Tests, Quizzes, Projects)	60%
<b>Classwork</b> (Research)	35%
<b>Homework</b> (including Participation)	5%

## Grade Range

Alpha Grade	Numeric Grade Range
A+	98-100
A	95-97
A-	90-94
B+	87-89
B	84-86
B-	80-83

Alpha Grade	Numeric Grade Range
C+	77-79
C	74-76
C-	70-73
D	65-69
F	0-64

## Expectations

- Students are expected to be on time to class and prepared to work in a courteous manner.
- Upon entering the classroom your video must be on and microphone on mute.
- All work needs to be completed on time, late work will result in a grade reduction.
- Mistakes are a part of learning. Don't give up and don't leave questions blank.

## Virtual Classroom Policies

Some important things to remember:

- Keep your camera on. This helps me to monitor your understanding. If possible, try to use a space where you won't be disturbed or distracted.
- Proper language use. If you wouldn't say it in the classroom in the school building, you shouldn't say it during our virtual meetings.
- Mute your microphone unless you are speaking. Remember, we can hear what is happening around you. It is also helpful if you use headphones to prevent echoing.
- Utilizing chat features in a productive manner (to ask questions, provide responses when asked).
- Proper images for background: Remember, we can see what's behind you. Make sure that anything behind you is appropriate.
- You want to have all of your materials in front of you: Pen/pencil and paper and any other items that might be necessary for the lesson. If you will need other materials, you will be notified in advance.

[Google Meet Student Expectations](#)

## **Practice academic honesty!**

Any cheating in the class will be reported. You will not receive credit for assignments which are plagiarized.

- [Perth Amboy Public Schools Code of Conduct - English](#)
- [Perth Amboy Public Schools Code of Conduct - Spanish](#)

## **Class Website**

Refer to Google Classroom to see assignments, link to the Google Meet, and important announcements in the stream.

## **Absences**

I encourage you to be responsible. Complete missing work from days not attended. The number of days of the absence determines how many days you have to make up the work. (Ex: 1 day absent = 1 day to complete work). You can always find out what you missed by looking at your assignments in Google Classroom, as well as sending me an email with concerns. If you need to discuss specific concerns, we can schedule a time to discuss.

## **Tutoring & Extra Help**

Please make sure that you ask for extra help when you need it. It is best to ask questions when you first have them. The longer you wait to ask a question or ask for extra help, the topics that follow will be more difficult for you to understand.

## **Contact**

Email ([marialvarez@paps.net](mailto:marialvarez@paps.net)) is the best way to contact me. My office hours are:

- Monday: 8:00am-8:45am, 9:40am-10:20am, Anytime After School
- Tuesday: 9:40am-10:20am, Anytime After School
- Wednesday: 8:00am-8:45am, 9:40am-10:20am, Anytime After School
- Thursday: 8:00am-8:45am, Anytime After School
- Friday: 8:00am-8:45am, 9:40am-10:20am