

Chemistry Portfolio

Ms. Agostine 2011-2012

What is it?

- It is the place where you keep work. It is a folder kept in the classroom. You will be responsible for putting your work into the portfolio and for keeping it up to date. It will be graded twice each marking period.
- It will be used by you and Ms. Agostine to monitor your progress in chemistry.
- Each entry will be dated and placed in **chronological** order.
- The front cover must contain your name, teacher's name, period, and school year. It may also contain a picture or illustration that pertains to chemistry. (Hint: feel free to be creative!)

The Chemistry Portfolio contains 5 sections:

1. Pre Class Assignments (PCAs)

- These are daily 5-minute free writes or problems, related to topics in class. The free writes should be 3-7 sentences.
- There will be one PCA per day.
- Five PCAs for the school week should fit on one piece of loose-leaf paper.
- All PCAs will be kept in a log by Ms. Agostine on www.DorettaAgostine.com
- **If you are absent or late to class, you must make up the PCA!**

2. Lab Reports:

- All graded lab reports should be placed in the portfolio and logged in a table of contents.

3. Chapter Outlines:

- Students are **required** to submit a skeleton outline of each chapter. Point value will depend on the length of the chapter.
- Contents:
 - Major headings and subheadings
 - Subsection numbers and titles
 - Italicized words and phrases and all boldface vocabulary words with definitions

4. End of Chapter Questions:

- Assigned questions must be answered in complete sentences. Students should **show all work** for problems solved.

5. Weekly Reflective Journal (Due each Friday)

- Journal entries must be dated and may be submitted on paper or e-mailed to me by 9 pm on Friday. (E-mailed entries will be printed out and returned to students)
- Journal entries will be graded for effort and completion, NOT for content.
- Journal entries must be at least one paragraph long, and **MUST** answer the following:
 - *What did you learn this week?*
 - *What work did you feel really helped this week? (Be specific!)*
 - *How is the overall work load going? Are you swamped with other classes, sports, work?*
 - *Do you need help from me? Do you feel the class needs to review a particular topic again?*