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- ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE: Each student is required to have a textbook checked out to use at home.
- For most chapters study guides are already posted on my web page, so students can get those as well to start studying early.
 (Additionally, for some chapters, completing this study guide is occasionally worth 10 to 15 points to the test).
- Also available are tons of videos on my website to help with content knowledge, as well as millions available on the Internet through keyword search.
- I have Remind.com available to sign up for- that lets both parents and students know when there's homework or projects due (see below for the number).
- I am always available through e-mail to answer any further questions you or your student may have.

WebSite: <u>Nail-GalesScience.weebly.com</u>

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Study and Learning TIPS for PARENTS

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I've added this part recently... "The teacher is absolutely 100% allowed to take-up an assignment at *any* time- even is she hasn't told you about it ahead of time."

Learning and understanding these two concepts will help most students get a handle on their base-line average Because completing all the homework allows them to:

- 1. Practice with the material so they better understand the concepts.
- 2. Familiarize themselves with the vocabulary and the "book-speak" that they'll see on the tests.
- 3. Easy 100s to "stack their average" just in case the tests are a little harder and they wind up with a few lower grades.

Whenever and as often as possible check your student's grades through PowerSchool. Small little slip-ups can turn huge and overwhelming very quickly. It's pretty easy to make-up 1 or 2 zeros... but 6 or 7 is nearly impossible and a giant headache for everyone, especially your student.

Keep up with when your student has tests and quizzes and take the time to go over the material with them to help them prepare. Yes, this is high school and they're becoming independent- but they're not quite there yet. (You don't have to understand the material- just read their notes and ask them some questions.)

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