



**Peekskill High School**  
**Science Department**  
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September 5, 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

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STEM 1 is a demanding hands-on course which requires reading and studying to learn the language and concepts. I encourage my students to spend a minimum of 20 minutes each night studying and reviewing. This is in addition to any written homework assignments or laboratory reports. **Keep in mind that students must successfully complete all laboratory and/or project assignments.**

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I encourage you to review your child's grades via parent portal which is available for you to use. In addition, I hope that you will call me if you have any questions or concerns or just want to discuss your student's progress. I can be reached through the High School's main number or by email (prefer) [pventurini@peekskillschools.org](mailto:pventurini@peekskillschools.org). When calling, please leave your name, number and a time for me to return your call. If your child is falling behind or not working up to ability, I will contact you for help in resolving any existing problems. I will make the same effort to call with good news.

I look forward to meeting you at the Peekskill High School Open House.

Sincerely,

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Dear Parent or Guardian: Please sign below and have your student return this page to me. A copy of this letter has been attached. Please keep the copy for your records. Thank you.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

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Student Name (Please Print)

***This is a HW assignment and is to be returned to  
Mrs. Venturini on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 for credit.***