**AP Biology Summer Assignments**

**Assignment #1**: Letter of Introduction – DUE JUNE 30

Write a brief letter of introduction to me. Include the following information: **DUE JUNE 30**. Letters are to be emailed to me at [brose@thsrocks.us](mailto:brose@thsrocks.us). In the subject line write ‘Introduction – (last name\_first initial)’.

- Are you a junior or senior? What other science courses have you taken and your grades.

- Why you are taking AP Biology and what are your expectations regarding the course (amount of time study time, difficulty of content, lab experiences, etc…)?

- What activities you are involved in during the school year and which other AP courses are you taking this year

- What your plans are for after high school

- Anything interesting about yourself you would like to share with me (hobbies, family, jobs)

- The email address you would prefer I use to contact you throughout the year

**Assignment #2**:

You will email the completed answers to me on the dates below. You may use any reliable source to answer the questions. Prepare to take a test on this information during the first week of school.

A. Chemical context of life …… **DUE JULY 15**

[Sumer AP Bio Chemistry Questions](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wg9penislbGg4E4pKo8ljAY-3F-ci8u6M97XE8zhiIw/edit?usp=sharing)

B. Carbon and Molecular Diversity …..**DUE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

[Summer AP Bio Carbon and Molecular Diversity Questions](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1j3HHoCNo__gkttoHwvV5P9gPwyY0Ul48r3pSgsr8U38/edit?usp=sharing)

**3. Optional Assignment** – read “The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks” by Rebecca Skloot OR “Survival of the Sickest” by Sharon Moalem

If you would like to receive a grade for this optional reading assignment, write a 3+ page review. The review must include a **detailed** summary and a personal commentary/reaction to the book. Reviews must be submitted by the **FIRST DAY** of school. This grade can be used as a substitute for a low test/lab grade during the first semester.