Mission
To educate students to be self-directed learners, collaborative workers, complex thinkers, quality producers, and community contributors

Course Description
Interested in a career in veterinary medicine, animal training or other related careers with animals? Then this is the course for you. Students will study all aspects of the animal science industry from classification to nutrition, and behavior to pet selection. Course emphasis will be in small mammals. Students will also have the opportunity to practice course themes with numerous class pets. Career opportunities will be stressed.

Course Learning Standards and Grading

**Standard 1** – AFNR.AS.01 - Examine the components, historical development, global implications and future trends of the animal systems industry
- Units: FFA and SAE
  - Introduction and Lab Safety
  - Careers and Future Education

**Standard 2** – AFNR.AS.02 - Classify, evaluate, select and manage animals based on anatomical and physiological characteristics
- Units: Animal Biology and Industry
  - Animal Management
  - Ethology

**Standard 3** – AFNR.AS.03 - Provide for the proper health care of animals
- Units: Nutrition
  - Animal Ethics & Welfare

**Standard 4** - AFNR.CS.02 - Evaluate the nature and scope of agriculture, food, and natural resources in society and the economy.
- Units: SAE Project

Semester Grade Calculation for Each Semester:

Coursework: 85% Semester Grade
- **Standard 1**: 30% of Course Work
- **Standard 2**: 30% of Course Work
- **Standard 3**: 20% of Course Work
- **Standard 4**: 20% of Course Work

Final Exam: 15% of Semester Grade

Grading Disbursement:
A= 90-100 B= 80-89 C= 70-79 D=60-69 F= <59
Grades are rounded to the nearest percentage point.
Reassessment Policy - (retakes are only on summative work, excluding final exams):
1. Students are only allowed retakes on assessments which they receive a 79% or below.
2. The maximum grade the student can get on the retake is an 80%.
3. The higher of the two scores will be entered in Infinite Campus.
4. The retake times and locations are left up to the individual teacher.
5. Students are required to meet with the teacher to determine additional practice to be completed before reassessment.

Communication
- Teachers make every effort to respond to emails and phone calls within 48 hours during the work week.
- The best way to communicate with teachers is through email; however, if you haven’t received a response in 48 hours, please resend the email or stop into the CTE office, Room 125, or Room 132.

Academic Assistance for students:
- By appointment with your teacher

Parents and Guardians
- Please check Infinite Campus for student progress
  - Grading in Infinite Campus will be accurate only at Mid-Quarter and Quarter. Prior to those dates, the grade reflected is fluid
  - Infinite Campus is a communication tool which reflects student progress and learning until final grade is posted
- Please ask your student about his or her learning in the course
- Check with your individual teacher for classroom procedures, assessment schedules, and upcoming events