

# You will **PASS** science with this structured process that will ensure your success!!

## 1<sup>st</sup> step-PLAN

- **Review last test grade.** How did you study? What did you need to focus on more?
- **Preview the chapter** before reading. What is it about? Predict why the figures and tables are significant.
- **Don't wait until the night before to study.** Schedule 15-20 minutes/day into your agenda for studying for your test.
- **Consider forming a study group** with other students in the class. Problem solving with a group of brains is easier than problem solving with one. Plus, it can be fun!

## 2<sup>nd</sup> step-APPLY

- **Outline the chapter.** This will help you focus on main ideas and weed out the less important stuff.
- **Know the chapter objectives.** By answering and understanding the chapter objectives, you can identify the main focus of the chapter. (These are the bulleted questions in earth science.)
- **Make flashcards** of the chapter key terms or vocabulary.
- **Attend office hours** and bring homework problems you might need help on.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> step-STUDY

- **Have a parent or friend quiz you.** You can use your study guide or objective questions as an assessment tool.
- **Study vocabulary with your flashcards.** Make two piles, words you know well, and words you need help with. Concentrate on the words you need help with.
- **Visualize and diagram processes.** If there is a step by step process, you should be able to visualize it and put it on paper. Practice writing the process down a few times.
- **Understand all tables and figures in the chapter.**
- **Study with your study group.** Set up a time for Ms. Hoffman to be a guest at your study group.
- **Complete any assigned study guides/chapter reviews.** See Ms. Hoffman to ensure your answers are correct.

## 4<sup>th</sup> step-SUCCEED

- **Give yourself at least 1 hour to take your test.**
- **Review your answers before you turn it in.** Often times we make careless mistakes that can lower our test scores.
- **Read the instructions carefully.**
- **If you have a few tests to take, plan on taking them on different days.**
- **Relax.** Stress will block your natural ability to perform. If you've followed these steps, there is nothing to worry about!

