

Dear Parents and Students,

I hope you are enjoying a wonderful summer! It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Physics course for the upcoming academic year.

I am Dr. Andrea Marconi Nastelli, your course facilitator for the 2024-2025 school year. My family and I moved to Tampa from Northern Virginia nine years ago. Alongside my husband John, I am raising two children, Noah (13 years old) and Ava (11 years old), who also attend T.E.A.C.H. My background includes an undergraduate degree in biology and a Doctor of Chiropractic with specialized training in prenatal, postnatal, and pediatric chiropractic care through the International Chiropractic Pediatric Association (ICPA), where I earned my CACCP certification. Previously, I owned a holistic practice in Northern Virginia for over a decade. Currently, I offer my time to a non-profit organization, while prioritizing time with our young children.

I am excited to embark on this educational journey with your family and integrate my clinical knowledge with the Apologia Physics Basic curriculum. This marks my third year teaching at T.E.A.C.H., and I am enthusiastic about sharing the wonders of science and fostering stewardship of the gifts we have received from God. Apologia's science curriculums have impressed me with their depth and richness, and I look forward to guiding your student through the applications of basic physics in everyday life.

As you prepare for the upcoming school year, please consider gathering the following supplies before our Open House:

Course Materials:

- Thin binder OR folder and notebook paper
- Student text: [Physics Basic Set, 2nd Edition](#)
- Graphic calculator (must include functions such as SIN, Cosine, tangent, exponents, etc.)
- Portable (small) white board and dry erase markers

****Note:** You can purchase your textbook locally at [The HomeSchool Hive in Carrollwood](#) and avoid shipping costs.

During home study days, parents are encouraged to support their child's learning and can access module exam answer keys in the Solutions and Test book included in the Physics Basic Set, 2nd Edition. Progress can be tracked through chapter study guides and retention activities performed in class. Parents are encouraged to review all study guides and module exams assigned. It is essential that students complete all practice problems daily and review the application of each formula. I will check completed study guides and collect module exams for grading biweekly, where applicable. Please note, according to Florida homeschool statute, my provision of grades does not substitute your parental educational responsibility; I am contracted solely to facilitate learning.

To maximize our 90-minute sessions each week, my goal is to create an interactive learning environment that brings each module to life. I am here to support student success, so please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Our class will meet on Wednesdays from 8:30-10 a.m. in room ED1. We will follow the syllabus provided at Open House (and also found on Mellow Yellow Student Portal) throughout the year. I look forward to meeting you and your student at Trinity's open house!

In Health,

Dr. Andrea M. Nastelli