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**Laboratory Text:** Investigating Biology: Morgan & Carter, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008

**Laboratory Grading:**

Quizzes (7)	70 points (approximately)
Laboratory Assignments	30 points (approximately)
<u>Laboratory Reports (2)</u>	<u>50 points (approximately)</u>
TOTAL	150 points (approximately)

**Attendance IS MANDATORY!** Three (3) or more absences will result in a failing grade for the **ENTIRE** course. If you are unable to attend the laboratory section for which you registered, find another laboratory during the same week to attend.

**Missing a Quiz and/or Laboratory:** Students are expected to take **ALL** quizzes. If you miss a quiz, you **MUST** schedule an appointment with me in order to take a make-up. In addition, you will need to hand in any lab reports for missed labs as soon as possible. You can receive credit for laboratory reports for **ONLY** laboratories that you have attended. Please remember that no laboratories can be made up after the last lab for any given week after that week has concluded.

**Laboratory Assignments:** Several lab assignments will be given during the term. There will be a separate handout, with instructions, for completing each of these assignments. Handouts will typically be distributed at the beginning of the laboratory period.

**Laboratory and Lecture Grades:** At the end of the term I will combine your laboratory grade, as a percentage of the total points assigned in lab, with your lecture grade. Your grade for the entire course will be based on the percentages you earn from both lecture and laboratory.

**Laboratory Etiquette:** You **MUST** wear appropriate clothing and observe standard safety practices while in the Laboratory (NS 204). Specifically, food and beverages are **NOT** allowed and you must wear closed-toed shoes (i.e., no sandals, flip-flops, etc.).

**Laboratory Schedule**

Week of	Laboratory
Mar 29	Lab 13 (parts 1, 3A, 4)
Apr 5	Lab 14 (parts 1 & 2); Set-up Competition Experiment (handout)
Apr 12	Lab 15; Lab 16
Apr 19	Lab 19
Apr 26	Lab 20 (parts 1-3); Set up Plant Hormone Experiment (handout)
May 3	Complete Hormone Lab
May 10	Lab 25 (part 1, field study A & B); (Field Trip: McDonald-Dunn Forest)
May 17	Lab 25 (part 3 - data analysis)
May 24	<b>NO LABS: Academic Excellence Showcase</b>
May 31	Analysis of Competition Experiment

**Note: All unclaimed assignments/papers/projects may be discarded 4 weeks after the final.**