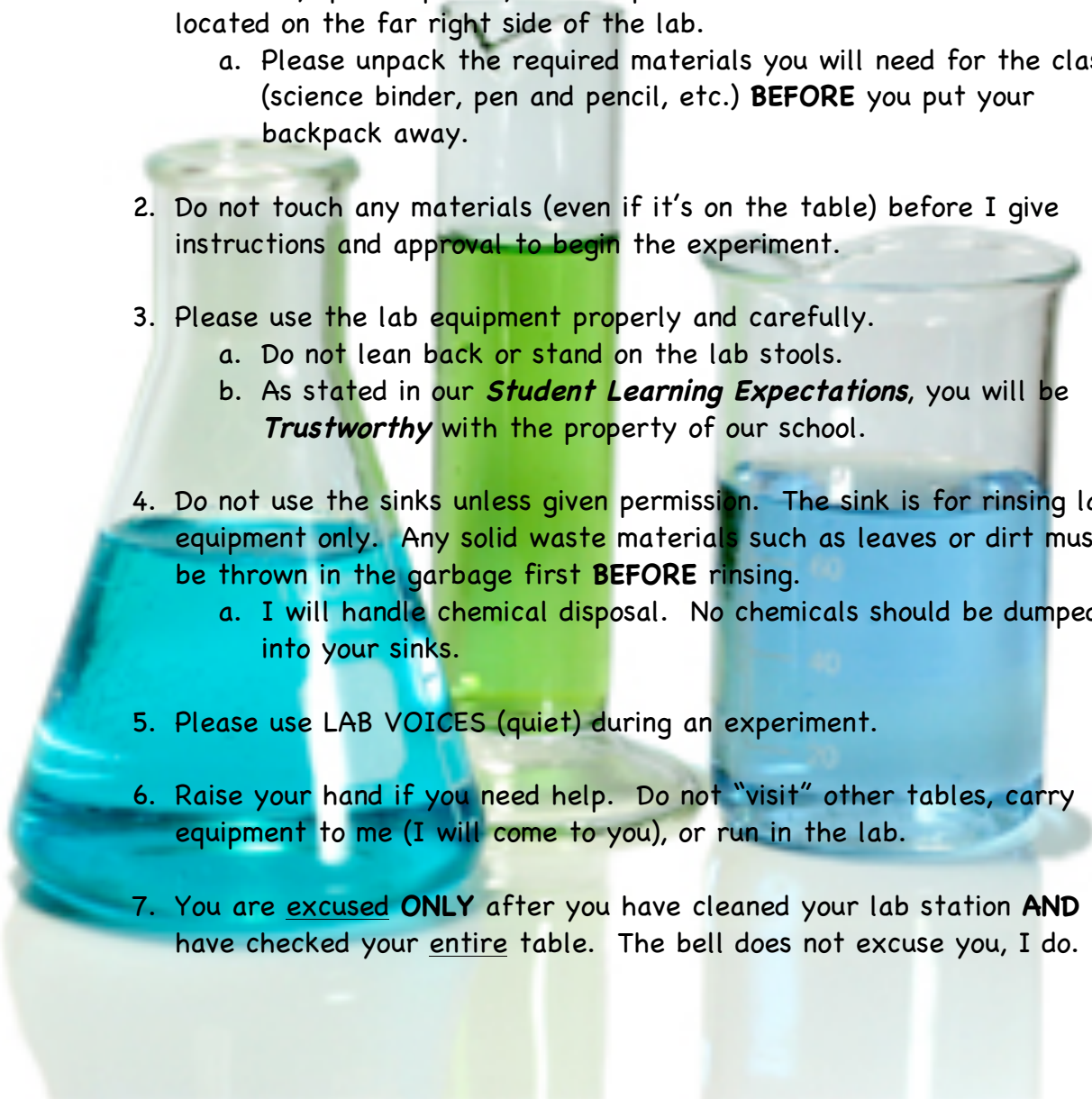


## Science Lab Rules and Procedures

### Mrs. DeCarlo

We are very fortunate to have a nice, fancy science lab! In order to keep our lab in great condition, please follow the rules stated below.

1. For safety, please place your backpacks in the available cubbies located on the far right side of the lab.
  - a. Please unpack the required materials you will need for the class (science binder, pen and pencil, etc.) **BEFORE** you put your backpack away.
2. Do not touch any materials (even if it's on the table) before I give instructions and approval to begin the experiment.
3. Please use the lab equipment properly and carefully.
  - a. Do not lean back or stand on the lab stools.
  - b. As stated in our ***Student Learning Expectations***, you will be ***Trustworthy*** with the property of our school.
4. Do not use the sinks unless given permission. The sink is for rinsing lab equipment only. Any solid waste materials such as leaves or dirt must be thrown in the garbage first **BEFORE** rinsing.
  - a. I will handle chemical disposal. No chemicals should be dumped into your sinks.
5. Please use LAB VOICES (quiet) during an experiment.
6. Raise your hand if you need help. Do not "visit" other tables, carry equipment to me (I will come to you), or run in the lab.
7. You are excused **ONLY** after you have cleaned your lab station **AND** I have checked your entire table. The bell does not excuse you, I do.



## Clean Up Procedure

Depending on the lab, I will provide directions on how to clean specific equipment. Failure to follow the procedure may result in breakage or damage of the lab materials.

1. All equipment must be clean, dry, and put back in the proper place. This includes placing some of the equipment in the cabinets or back on the table for the next class.
2. Stools must be pushed in all the way and/or put up on the table at the end of the day.
3. All garbage is to be thrown into the two large garbage cans located in the front of the lab on either side of the demo table. Please do not place garbage in the book cubby of your table or in the drawers. Lab privileges may be taken away for those who habitually break this rule.
4. The **ENTIRE TABLE** and not just your side of it must pass inspection before I excuse you. Please do not "ditch" your lab partner!
  - a. Remember, as SAINTS, you should be "*Neighborly*" as well.
5. Accidents are expected to happen and sometimes we make mistakes. Don't panic and try to hide broken equipment because that can be dangerous. Instead, please be responsible and let me know. You will not be held liable for the breakage unless it is a result of using the equipment inappropriately or goofing off.

I look forward to many exciting labs and lots of new discoveries this year!