Semester ONE & TWO Rubric – GRADE K through 3 SCIENCE

Report Card Line	4 ADVANCED	3 PROFICIENT	2 BASIC	1 MINIMAL
Demonstrates knowledge of content from unit(s) studied	 Demonstrates above grade level understanding of scientific content Easily incorporates new vocabulary appropriately in own speech and writing (use beyond expectations for grade level) Makes scientific connections beyond grade level expectation 	 Demonstrates grade- appropriate understanding of scientific content as demonstrated in assessments, lab notebook and/or teacher observations Shows grade level understanding and use of new vocabulary uses in context of labs verbally correctly integrates into conclusions and, as appropriate, includes in science writing 	 Demonstrates limited and/or inconsistent understanding of scientific content New vocabulary use is limited and isolated to use within activity or proximity to instruction. Teacher scaffolding required to use vocabulary in context of discussion or written work. 	 Student requires intensive teacher help to demonstrate proficient skills
Actively engages in investigations and discussions to draw conclusions	 Shows advanced understanding of purpose and/or anticipates outcomes of investigation tasks Shows above grade level skill with collecting, recording and utilizing data Draws above grade level conclusions from investigations and data collected / presented Written and/or oral explanations show advanced understanding 	 Attends to investigation tasks Follows procedures as written and/or explained With minimal teacher support, student collects, records and utilizes data appropriately Draws reasonable conclusions from investigations Incorporates evidence into conclusions Provides age-appropriate written and/or oral explanation of conclusions 	 Inconsistently attends to investigation tasks Requires teacher prompting to follow procedures Requires teacher help to perform proficient skills regarding data collection, recording and usage Conclusions and explanations are often unreasonable or disconnected to the investigation 	 Student requires intensive teacher help to demonstrate proficient skills

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