AP BIOLOGY – LAB REPORT RUBRIC

TITLE:

The purpose of the investigation is concisely stated. ____ / 1

ABSTRACT:

/ 2 A summary of the investigation is written in 100 words or less.

INTRODUCTION:

- ____ / 2 The background information is relevant to the lab and is clearly explained.
- _____ / 2 The primary question(s) of the lab is/are clearly stated.
 - ____ / 2 The hypothesis(es) is/are clearly stated in "if, then" format and make(s) a reasonable prediction.

EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN:

- _____ / 2 The materials and equipment used in the lab are clearly listed.
- _____ / 2 The procedure for the lab is explained. Include labeled diagrams if necessary.
- ____ / 2 The control group, independent variable, dependent variable, and constants are clearly identified.

RESULTS:

- _____ / 5 The qualitative and/or quantitative observations are included. When relevant, all necessary calculations are included.
- Data is displayed in the appropriate formats, such as charts, graphs, data tables, _____ / 2 diagrams, etc. Correct labels are included (titles, axes, column headings, etc.)

DISCUSSION:

- _____ / 5 The lab results are clearly explained using CLAIM-EVIDENCE-REASONING.
- _____ / 3 The data is clearly cited and described using CLAIM-EVIDENCE-REASONING.
- _____ / 3 The explanation specifically refers to the hypothesis(es) and primary question(s).
 - / 3 The explanation discusses any specific problems and/or possible sources of error.

CONCLUSION:

- _____ / 2 The main points of the lab are summarized.
- _____ / 2 Two or more ways to improve or modify the lab are described.
- ____ / 4 Based on the results of the lab, two or more primary questions for further investigation are proposed. A hypothesis for each question is included. Proper rationale is provided for each primary question and hypothesis.

POST-LAB QUESTIONS:

/ 3 The post-lab questions are correctly answered, referencing data from the lab.

APPEARANCE:

- ____ / 1 The lab report is typed: 12 point font, single-spaced, 1" margins.
- _____ / 1 The lab report is free of spelling/grammatical/punctuation errors.
 - / 1 The lab report has a title page which lists the following information: title of lab, your name, name(s) of your lab partners, date.

