BLANK TEMPLATE FOR TIPS SCIENCE

(See and remove italicized guidelines for the teacher. Adapt as needed.)

Student Name	Date
TIPS: (TITLE)	
Dear Parent, We are learning	
I hope you enjoy this activity with me. This assignment is due	
	Sincerely,
	Student Signature

OBJECTIVE

(In short, clear words, tell what the student will do (e.g. observe, list, identify, discover, or other action verb) to learn something about the science topic).

MATERIALS

(Common or easily obtained inexpensive household materials, or provided by the school.)

PROCEDURE

(Include various interactions with family. See TIPS prototype activities.)

DATA CHART OR LAB REPORT

CONCLUSIONS

DISCUSSION

(Include interaction/activity/conversation with family. See TIPS prototype activities.)

(Include the following on all TIPS activities at the bottom of Page 2.)

HOME-TO-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Dear Parent,

Please give your reactions to your child's work on this activity.

Write YES or NO for each statement.

______ 1. My child understood the homework and was able to complete it.

______ 2. My child and I enjoyed the activity.

______ 3. This assignment helped me know what my child is learning in science.

Comment ______

Parent Signature

[Insert author(s) of the activity and location.] Based on Epstein, J. L. (2017). Teachers Involve Families in Schoolwork (TIPS) Interactive Homework. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University-Center on School, Family, and Community Partnerships.