

ANIMALS IN THE SCIENCE CLASSROOM



ALL ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN THE SCIENCE CLASS FROM PK-12 MUST HAVE A ROBUST CONNECTION TO SCIENCE STANDARDS. THIS INCLUDES DISSECTION ACTIVITIES. THE DISSECTION OF ANIMALS IN THE CLASSROOM MUST ALSO BE A DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE ACTIVITY. WHILE DISSECTION IS "FUN" FOR MOST STUDENTS, FUN ACTIVITIES THAT DO NOT HAVE A STRONG CONTENT CONNECTION SHOULD NOT BE UNDERTAKEN IN THE SCIENCE CLASSROOM.

GRADE LEVEL	DISSECTION YES OR NO	APPROPRIATE USAGE OF ANIMALS (LIVE OR DISSECTION SPECIMENS)
PK-6	NOT RECOMMENDED	NO DISSECTION IS RECOMMENDED. LIVE ANIMALS ARE RECOMMENDED AT THESE GRADE LEVELS. BE SURE TO COMPLY WITH REGULATION 4800.1 HTTP://WWW.DODEA.EDU/FOIA/IOD/PDF/4800_1.PDF AND LOCAL RULES WHEN KEEPING LIVE ANIMALS IN THE CLASSROOM.
7 AND 8	NOT RECOMMENDED	NO DISSECTION IS RECOMMENDED. LIVE ANIMALS ARE RECOMMENDED AT THESE GRADE LEVELS. BE SURE TO COMPLY WITH REGULATION 4800.1 HTTP://WWW.DODEA.EDU/FOIA/IOD/PDF/4800_1.PDF AND LOCAL RULES WHEN KEEPING LIVE ANIMALS IN THE CLASSROOM.
HIGH SCHOOL: BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, EARTH SCIENCE	NOT RECOMMENDED	NO DISSECTION RECOMMENDED SINCE THERE ARE NO STANDARDS RELATED CONNECTIONS
HIGH SCHOOL: AP BIOLOGY, MARINE BIOLOGY AND ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY	RECOMMENDED	DISSECTION ONLY RECOMMENDED WHEN THERE IS A STRONG CONTENT CONNECTION (UTILIZE REVISED HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE STANDARDS)