## **Lab #2: Balancing Chemical Equations**

**Pre-Lab:** What does the word "Balance" mean in chemistry?

Part A: Is Matter Really Conserved?

$$CaCO_2(s) + 2 HCI(aq) \rightarrow CaCI_2(aq) + H_2O(I) + CO_2(g)$$

## **Materials:**

Calcium Carbonate, CaCO<sub>3</sub> Plastic Bag

Hydrochloric Acid, HCl Graduated Cyclinder

Balloon Rubber Bands

Beaker Scale

Erlenmeyer Flask

## **Procedure:**

Design an experiment to find out if the mass of the starting materials is equal to the mass of the ending materials.

## Must Haves:

- 1. Safety Concerns
- 2. List Items used
- 3. Amounts of chemicals (No more than 5 g of CaCO<sub>3</sub> and 10 mL of HCl)
- 4. A table to record data and masses
- 5. Teacher Approval