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Date _____ Period _____

LAB ACTIVITY
Classification of Galaxies

Please visit www.HMXEarthScience.com/galaxy_classification_lab.html and use the information provided to complete the assignment below.

1. What is a galaxy? How many galaxies are in the Universe?

2. Complete your galaxy classification by writing the number of each spiral, elliptical, and irregular galaxy in the space provided below.

Spiral Galaxies	Elliptical Galaxies	Irregular Galaxies

3. What galaxy do we live in? _____

4. What is the shape of our galaxy? _____

5. How old is our galaxy believed to be? _____

6. Describe where the Sun and our Solar System are located in the Milky Way Galaxy?

Sketch diagrams of the side and top-views of the Milky Way galaxy in the space provided below.

Side View	Top View

Record your answers to the Regents questions in the space provided below.

1.	3.	5.	7.	9.	11.
2.	4.	6.	8.	10.	12.