

## LAP Fractions Chart

- (1) **Look at the sign and denominator.** Look at the bottom number of your fraction. See if they are the same or different. If they are the same, skip down to "**Pick your fraction type**" and pick Type 1. If they are different, then go to step 2.
- (2) **Ask yourself the question.** "Will the smallest denominator divide into the largest denominator evenly without a number left over?" To help you answer this question, look at the three types of fractions that are listed below (Types 1, 2, and 3). If your answer to this question is "**yes,**" then go down to "**Pick your fraction type**" and pick **Type 2**. If your answer is "**no,**" then go to "**Pick your fraction type**" and pick **Type 3**.
- (3) **Pick your fraction type.**
- (4) **Type 1:  $1/4 + 3/4$**   
Bottom numbers (denominators) are the same. Its sign is addition or subtraction.
- (5) **Type 2:  $1/6 + 1/2$**   
Bottom numbers (denominators) are different and the smallest bottom number **will** divide into the largest bottom number evenly without a number left over. Its sign is addition or subtraction.
- (6) **Type 3:  $2/3 + 3/4$**   
Bottom numbers (denominators) are different and the smallest number **will not** divide into the largest bottom number evenly without a number left over. Its sign is addition or subtraction.
- (7) Identify the denominator.
- (8) Divide the denominator by dividing the smallest denominator into the largest denominator.