Bench Vise

- 1. Use caution when clamping work in the vise. Too much pressure can distort the work.
- 2. The vise jaws are of hardened steel. They can leave marks in the work being clamped. Use softer scrap metal (softjaws) to protect work when needed.
- 3. Avoid heating the jaws with a torch it can decrease the hardness.
- 4. Care should be taken not to back the movable jaw out to far. It can fall out.
- 5. When rotating the vise position, loosen the hold down screws just enough to rotate the vise. Do not take them all the way off.
- 6. The vise should be disassembled periodically to grease the screw mechanism.
- 7. Tell the teacher is the vise appears to be faulty or missing parts.
- 8. Do not exceed the capacity of the vise by using cheater bars.
- 9. Do not use a hammer to tighten or loosen the vise handle.
- 10. Do not destroy the rubber bumpers on the vise handle.
- 11. Be sure the vise is secured to the table.
- 12. Do not leave work hanging from the vise where people walking by can get injured.
- 13. Round objects can be held in the pipe jaws below the square jaws for a better grip.
- 14. Don't tighten the harden jaws against each other. It damages the diamond shape grips

