



Student Lab Safety Contract

The laboratory is a place where **safety** is #1 priority. You must assume responsibility for your own safety and the safety of your classmates. You will observe all of the following behaviors when in the lab. Failure to follow these procedures could result in injury and damage to clothing or property.

1. Perform only those activities assigned with teacher permission. Your lab activities can only be conducted when your teacher is present in the room. Never leave your experiment unattended. Stay alert. Never work ALONE
2. You must be prepared by doing your homework: reading all procedures, hazards, and chemical MSDS (material safety data sheets). Always ask your teacher for help if you are confused about anything. Do your work slowly and carefully...lab work is not a race to finish.
3. Know where all safety equipment is; fire extinguisher, eye wash, shower, fire blanket, first aid kit, fume hood, and how to use them.
4. **Report** any accident, broken lab equipment, injury, incorrect procedure, and inappropriate student behavior to the instructor immediately. **Failure to report** is a serious misbehavior!
5. Authorized persons will handle all broken glassware and clean up all chemical spills.
6. Keep your lab area clean at all times, Dispose of chemicals as instructed for each lab. Don't return unused chemicals to the original bottles. Don't use sinks for disposal of solid waste such as filter paper, metals, etc. Properly clean up your lab area when finished.
7. Wear appropriate **eye protection** and **lab aprons** as directed. Dress in a lab appropriate way; Long hair must be tied back, **don't wear** shorts or short skirts, baggy clothes, dangling jewelry, open toed shoes.
8. No eating or drinking or gum chewing in the lab. Wash your hands after completing a lab involving chemicals. Keep your hands away from your face, eyes, mouth, etc when handling chemicals.
9. Do not touch any chemicals or equipment until you are instructed. Horseplay, pranks, entering prohibited areas, wandering around the classroom, and any other misbehavior is prohibited.
10. You must inform your instructor if you have any medical condition, contact lenses, allergies, etc. prior to working in the lab.

I, _____ (student name PRINTED legibly), have read and agree to abide by the safety regulations as set forth above and also any additional printed and verbal instructions provided by the teacher and/or the District. I understand that failure to abide by the terms of this contract will result in disciplinary action as per District policy and/or the student handbook.

Student signature

date

period

Parents or Guardians: please read the above classroom rules and procedures. Your student has been properly instructed as to the classroom safety policies. Signing indicates you have read and are aware of these policies and will instruct your son/daughter to uphold his/her agreement to follow these rules.

Parent/Guardian signature

date