

Student Lab Safety Contract

All students should be able to work in safe laboratories. Permission to work in the science laboratory is a privilege. All students are financially responsible for lost or damaged equipment due to negligent or irresponsible behavior or failure to follow directions. To be afforded this opportunity, you should read the laboratory policy procedure below and sign it.

1. Never perform unauthorized experiments or use any equipment or instruments without proper instruction. Follow all instructions given by the instructor including special directions for all individual experiments.
2. Do not enter the stock/supply rooms. Do not work in the laboratory unless the instructor is present.
3. Proper eye protection is to be worn when the potential for eye injury exists: spilling or splashing of hot or hazardous chemicals. All spills must be cleaned up appropriately. (Inform the instructor of contact lenses.)
4. Proper clothing is to be worn to protect against burns and/or chemical spill: lab aprons/coats. No open shoes, sleeves below elbows, or dangling jewelry is allowed in the laboratory. Long hair is to be tied back or confined.
5. Do not eat, or drink, or smoke anything in the lab at any time. Do not use any lab containers for food or drink.
6. Consider every chemical dangerous. Avoid inhaling fumes, pipetting by mouth, or tasting, touching, or smelling any chemical unless specifically told to do so by the instructor. If chemicals splash on skin or clothing, rinse immediately with large quantities of water.
7. Nothing is to be taken from the laboratory unless checked out to you in writing by the instructor.
8. Never become involved in horseplay or practical jokes.
9. Never force glass tubing into a cork or stopper.
10. Never point a test tube toward yourself or anyone else.
11. Only pins and specimens are allowed in dissecting trays. Instruments not being used are to remain in the kit. Those in use are to be placed on a paper towel beside the tray.
12. Discard only those liquids or solids in the sink as indicated by the instructor.
13. Keep all non-laboratory materials other than notebooks away from all stations.
14. Note the location and be familiar with the operation of any safety equipment.
15. Prior to lab usage, a test shall be administered requiring 100% mastery. The instructor must be immediately notified in the event of an accident.

I have read the above and agree to abide by all conditions and directions given by the instructor.

(Parent signature)

(Date)

(Student signature)

(Date)