

SAFETY CONTRACT

PURPOSE: In this class you will be frequently working with and using laboratory supplies and equipment. The purpose of this contract is to emphasize safety as the number one priority of the students, teachers, and parents in the science classroom. To ensure a safe classroom environment and to avoid potential hazards, a list of rules, guidelines and procedures has been developed and outlined in this document. Both the student and the parents/guardians are expected to read this document and acknowledge their understanding by signing and returning it. This *must* be done before the student can participate in classroom lab activities. Animals will not be used in the physics classroom or as part of physics labs because of issues of responsibility and student safety. Therefore the default when considering the ethical treatment of animals is to defer to the rules outlined by the school and county.

1. Conduct yourself in a responsible manner at all times in the laboratory/classroom
2. When first entering the room, do not touch any equipment, chemicals, or other materials until directly told to do so by the instructor
3. Absolutely no food or drinks are permitted in the classroom
4. Use all equipment only for their intended purposes, as explained by the instructor
5. Immediately inform the instructor of any situation that may pose any potential safety issue
6. Report any accidents and injuries to the instructor immediately
7. Report any failure or problems with lab equipment or materials to the instructor immediately
8. Lab stations should be kept organized at all times and lab stations to be cleaned and returned to their original condition at the end of each classroom period
9. Goggles and/or other safety equipment will be kept on for the entirety of the class period when told to by the instructor
10. Wear appropriate dress in the lab: No loose jewelry, hair, ect.
11. When unplugging electrical equipment, never pull the cord

I, _____, have read and agree to the rules outlined in this contract. I understand the importance of safety in a laboratory setting. I realize that ignoring or disobeying these rules set for the safety of myself, my fellow classmates, and instructors will result in the removal from the classroom. I understand that an offense may potentially prevent me from participating in future labs and may result in additional disciplinary actions.

Student Signature

Date

Dear Parent or Guardian,

This document attempts to ensure the safety of students and instructors in the science classroom and laboratory environment. By signing you are acknowledging that both you and the student have read and understand the expectations of the student in the classrooms, and are aware of the consequences the student may face by not following these guidelines.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date