Science safety contract
(Based on Flinn Scientific's "Ideal Student Safety Contract.")

The safety practices listed below are to be followed at all times during experiments and projects. Students who present a danger to themselves or others will not be permitted to participate in labs and experiments.

• All accidents, no matter how small, should be reported to the teacher immediately.
• Injuries (scrapes, insect stings, ect.) should be reported to the teacher immediately.
• If you develop hives or feel intense itchiness, report it to your teacher immediately.
• If you feel ill, report it to your teacher immediately.
• The only activities that you are allowed to do are the ones that the teacher has given directions for.
• Only materials and equipment authorized by the teacher may be used.
• All instructions given by the teacher must be closely followed.
• Wear safety glasses or goggles when instructed. Never remove safety glasses or goggles during an experiment.
• No food or beverage is allowed in the science laboratory.
• Never taste, smell, or touch chemicals unless specifically told to do so.
• Wash your hands thoroughly (for 15 seconds) with soap at the end of each laboratory period if any hazardous material was handled.
• You should know the proper fire drill procedure and know where to get help fast.
• Long sleeves should be rolled up above the wrist. Ties, coats, and sweaters should be removed. Long hair should be tied back during laboratory activity.
• Student apparel should be appropriate for laboratory work. Long hanging necklaces, bulky jewelry, and excessive and bulky clothing should not be worn in the laboratory.
• Closed-toed shoes are a must.
• Work areas should be kept clean and tidy.
• Always clean and wipe dry all desks, tables, or laboratory work areas at the end of each laboratory activity as part of good organizational practices.
• Broken glass should be removed from work areas and the floor as soon as possible. Never handle broken glass with your bare hands.
• Do not discard any solids in the laboratory sinks.
• Only laboratory notebooks are permitted in the working area. Other books, purses, book bags, and such items should be placed in your desk or storage area.
• Do not touch any laboratory equipment until told to do so.
• Horseplay, running, pushing, shoving, and practical jokes will not be tolerated.
• You are expected to conduct yourself in a responsible manner at all times in a laboratory situation.
• Never remove anything from the lab, unless instructed to do so (this includes glassware, chemicals, and models).
• Notify the teacher if you feel unsafe/scared while conducting an experiment so other arrangements can be made.

Put online only Student and parent contract (return this page)

Student agreement
I, _____ [student's name], have read and understand each of the safety rules. I agree to follow them to ensure my safety and the safety of others. I also agree to follow the general rules of appropriate behavior for our classroom at all times. I will try to avoid accidents and to provide a safe learning environment for everyone. I understand that if I do not follow all the rules and safety precautions, I will not be allowed to participate in science activities.

Student signature_____

Date_____

Dear Parent or Guardian:
Please read the list of safety rules. No student will be permitted to perform science activities unless this contract is signed by both the student and parent/guardian and is returned to the teacher.
        Your signature on this contract indicates that you have read this Science Safety Contract, have reviewed it with your student, and are aware of the measures taken to ensure the safety of your student in science.

Parent/guardian name (please print)_____

Parent/guardian
signature_____

Date_____

Important questions
• Does your child wear contact lenses? Y or N
• Is your child color-blind? Y or N
• Does your child have any allergies? Y or N
If so, please list:

In the unlikely event of an emergency, the instructor should contact:

_____ (_____) @ _____
Name   relation to student   phone #

_____ (_____) @ _____
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