

Ms Walkup's Science Student Safety Contract

General Safety Guidelines

1. Conduct yourself in a responsible manner at all times in the laboratory. **No horseplay!**
2. Follow all written and verbal instructions carefully. If you do not understand a direction or part of a procedure, ask the instructor before proceeding.
3. If you do not understand how a piece of apparatus is to be used, ask the instructor.
4. When first entering a physics lab, **do not touch any equipment**, chemicals, or other materials in the laboratory area unless you are instructed to do so.
5. Do not eat food, drink beverages, or chew gum in the laboratory. Do not use laboratory containers for food or beverages.
6. Be prepared for your work in the laboratory. Read all procedures thoroughly before entering the laboratory.
7. **Observe good housekeeping practices.** Work areas should be kept clean and tidy at all times. Bring only your laboratory instructions, worksheets, and/or reports to the work area. Other materials (books, purses, backpacks, etc.) should be stored elsewhere.
8. Keep aisles clear. Push your chair under the desk when not in use.
9. **Students are never permitted in the science storage rooms or preparation areas.**

Clothing

10. Any time chemicals, heat, projectiles, or glassware are used, students will wear laboratory goggles. There will be no exceptions to this rule!
11. Dress properly during a laboratory activity. Long hair, dangling jewelry, and loose or baggy clothing are a hazard in the laboratory. No sandals allowed.

Accidents and Injuries

12. Report any accident (spill, breakage, etc.) or injury (cut, burn, etc.) to the instructor immediately, no matter how trivial it may appear.

Chemicals

13. All chemicals in the laboratory are to be considered dangerous. Do not touch, taste, or smell any chemicals unless specifically instructed to do so.

Equipment

14. When removing an electrical plug from its socket, grasp the plug, not the electrical cord. Hands must be completely dry before touching an electrical switch, plug, or outlet.
15. Report damaged electrical equipment immediately. Look for things such as frayed cords, exposed wires, and loose connections. Do not use damaged electrical equipment.

Heating Substances

33. Never leave a lit burner or hot plate unattended. Never leave anything that is being heated unattended. Always turn the burner or hot plate off when not in use.

Physics Classroom Rules Contract

I promise to abide by these rules while I am in physics class. I recognize that failure to follow these rules will result in disciplinary action and that this is my warning.

1. My behavior will show respect for myself, my classmates, and my teacher.
2. I will arrive to class on time. If I am late, I will bring a pass.
3. I will sit in my assigned seat. If I have a problem with this, I will discuss it with the teacher outside of class.
4. I will not bring contraband into the classroom. This includes cell phones, iPods, headphones, food, or drinks. This will result in confiscation.
5. I will not speak when others are speaking. I will raise my hand and wait to be recognized to speak.
6. I will always arrive prepared for class. This includes having a pen or pencil, paper for notes, calculator, and any work that is due.
7. I will always sign out whenever I need to leave the room.
8. I will not leave the room a mess. This includes putting away books or lab materials, not writing on desks, and not leaving garbage in the sinks.
9. If I have a problem with another member of the class, I will resolve it in a respectful, mature, and quiet manner.
10. I will not cheat. I will not copy others' work and I will not allow others to copy my work.
11. If absent for any reason, I understand I am responsible for making up all work I missed in a timely fashion (one week at most).

If I break these rules, I will accept the consequences without argument. This may include warnings, teacher detention, office detention, or confiscation of property.

Agreement

I, _____ (**PRINT student's name**) have read and agree to follow all of the safety rules set forth in this contract. I realize that I must obey these rules to insure my own safety, and that of my fellow students and instructors. I will cooperate to the fullest extent with my instructor and fellow students to maintain a safe lab environment. I will also closely follow the oral and written instructions provided by the instructor. I am aware that any violation of this safety contract that results in unsafe conduct in the laboratory or misbehavior on my part, may result in being removed from the laboratory, detention, or receiving a failing grade.

Student Signature: _____ **Period:** _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____