

STUDENT NAME _____ (print)

LAB SAFETY AGREEMENT FOR EARTH SCIENCE

Rules of Conduct:

1. Perform lab work only when your teacher is present.
2. Your concern for safety should begin even before the first activity. Before starting any lab activity, always read and think about the details of the lab assignment.
3. Know the location and use of all safety equipment in your lab. These should include the safety shower, eyewash, fire extinguisher, exits, emergency warning system and evacuation routes.
4. Wear **impact/splash-proof goggles** for all lab work **involving glassware, heat, chemicals or rock hammers. NO EXCEPTIONS!** Wear closed toed shoes (rather than sandals) and tie loose hair back. Anytime that you use goggles, wear an apron.
5. Listen to all teacher instructions.
6. No clowning around or loud talking during lab periods; such behavior can create an unsafe situation.
7. Never taste lab materials, or use lab containers to hold food for consumption. **NO GUM, FOOD, OR DRINKS ALLOWED IN LAB.**
8. Keep your workspace clear of unnecessary material such as books and clothing.
9. Check chemical labels twice to make sure you have the correct substance and the correct concentration.
10. You may be asked to transfer some laboratory chemicals from a common bottle or jar to your own container. Do not return any excess material to its original container unless advised to do so by your teacher.
11. Any lab accident, however small, must be reported to your teacher immediately.
12. In case of a spill on your skin or clothing, rinse the affected area with plenty of water. If the eyes are affected, advise the teacher immediately, and begin rinsing with water immediately. Continue until told to stop (after professional assistance has arrived).
13. When discarding or disposing of used materials, carefully follow teacher instructions.
14. Return all equipment, chemicals, aprons, safety glasses, and goggles to their designated locations.
15. Advise your teacher of any broken or poorly functioning equipment.
16. Wash your hands before leaving the lab.
17. Students will not be dismissed until the lab clean up is complete and all equipment is accounted for.
18. If you are confused about the proper safety procedures, ask your teacher for clarification. **IF IN DOUBT, ASK!**

Students exhibiting misconduct or disregarding safety during a lab will be asked to leave the lab, or will be subject to other disciplinary action. If a student is not prepared, or dressed appropriately, he/she will not participate in the lab.

By signing below, the student and parent/guardian indicate that they have read and have agreed to follow these "Rules of Lab Conduct". The student is expected to follow these rules as well as any additional printed or verbal safety instructions given by the teacher. This document is to be returned by _____ . If a parent/guardian has any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Nork.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____