

### **SCIENCE SAFETY CONTRACT FOR GRADES KG-3**

#### **STUDENT GENERAL BEHAVIOR, WORK HABITS, SAFETY WEAR**

My child will:

1. Follow all directions given by the teacher.
2. Wear safety goggles whenever the teacher directs.
3. Conduct myself in a respectful manner at all times when doing science.
4. Handle animals respectfully.
5. Always wash my hands after handling animals and chemicals.
6. Immediately report any injury or spill to the teacher.
7. Use proper techniques and be careful with equipment and sharp instruments.

### **SCIENCE SAFETY CONTRACT FOR GRADES 4-5**

#### **STUDENT GENERAL BEHAVIOR, WORK HABITS, SAFETY WEAR**

My child will:

1. Follow the teacher's directions and make sure I understand what to do. If I do not understand what to do I will ASK my teacher questions until I do understand.
2. Wear safety equipment as directed by the teacher.
3. Mix materials only when directed by the teacher.
4. Only taste, drink, or eat during a science lesson when I am directed by the teacher.
5. Wash my hands before I touch my face, mouth, eyes, and other parts of my body, or clothing after I have worked on a science activity.
6. Be careful of loose clothing, long hair, and jewelry when doing science activities.
7. Notify my teacher if I spill or break something so he/she can direct the cleanup.
8. Only dump things in the sink with my teachers' permission.

### **SCIENCE SAFETY CONTRACT FOR GRADES 6-8**

Middle school science courses are hands-on laboratory classes. Some science activities may have potential hazards. We will use some equipment and animals that may be dangerous if not handled properly. To ensure a safe classroom, we have developed a list of rules called the Science Safety Contract. These rules must be followed at all times. Additional safety instructions will be given for each activity. **Please go over this list with your student. No science student will be allowed to participate in science activities until this contract has been signed by a parent or guardian.**

#### **Safety Rules**

- Conduct yourself in a responsible manner at all times in the science room. No horseplay, practical jokes, or pranks.
- Follow all written and verbal instructions carefully. Ask your teacher questions if you do not understand the instructions.
- Handle all equipment and glassware with care and respect. Never pick up hot or broken glassware with your bare hands. Use extreme caution when using matches, a burner, or hot plate.
- Perform only authorized experiments. Do not touch any equipment, supplies, animals, or other materials in the science room without permission from the teacher.
- Never eat, drink, chew gum, or taste anything in the science room without permission from a teacher.
- Wash your hands with soap and water after handling chemicals, animals, or other lab materials.
- Wear safety glasses or goggles and/or gloves when instructed. Never remove safety glasses or goggles during an experiment.
- Follow your teacher's instructions for cleaning up and disposing of any waste materials generated in an experiment.
- Report any accident, spill, breakage, fire, injury, or hazardous condition to the teacher immediately.
- Consider all chemicals used in the science room to be dangerous. Do not touch, smell or eat any chemicals unless specifically instructed by your teacher to do so.
- Handle all animals with care and respect and as instructed by your teacher. Never open cages without your teacher's permission.
- Never open storage cabinets, enter the prep/storage room, or remove chemicals, equipment, or animals from the science room without permission from the teacher.
- Dress properly for science activities. Some labs/activities will require long hair to be tied back, no dangling jewelry, closed-toed shoes, no loose or baggy clothing, and/or outdoor clothing.
- Learn where the safety equipment is located and how to use it. Know where the exits are located and what to do in case of an emergency or fire drill.

#### **AGREEMENT:**

Dear Parent or Guardian: Your initials on this contract indicates that you have read this Science Safety Contract and reviewed it with your child, and that you are aware of the measures taken to ensure the safety of your student in the science classroom.

I have reviewed this Safety Contract with my student and my student agrees to follow all the rules listed.