



St. Joseph Science Safety Agreement

As a student in this lab, there are safety rules that you must observe. Rules will be kept to a minimum, but those we do keep are for a definite reason. Knowing the reason for each rule should make it a lot easier to remember and observe that rule.

1. Students must never enter the lab or perform a lab unless a Science teacher is present. Even if a teacher is present, lab equipment is never to be used until a teacher has given you permission to do so.
2. Read all experiments before you perform them, and be aware of all safety precautions.
3. Learn the location and proper use of all safety equipment such as first aid kit, fire extinguishers, fire blankets, safety shower, eyewash fountain, broken glass containers and chemical waste containers.
4. Do not run in the lab. "Horseplay" will not be tolerated.
5. Use care and common sense when using lab equipment.
6. Protective equipment, such as goggles and close-toed shoes **MUST** be worn when performing any lab. Contact lenses must not be worn.
7. Long hair, loose clothing and jewelry must be restrained or removed.
8. Eating and drinking is forbidden in the laboratory.
9. Keep lab benches and floors clean and clear at all times.
10. All experiments should be performed while standing, and all lab stools or chairs should be placed under the lab benches.
11. Report any damaged or defective equipment to the teacher immediately.
12. Report all breakages to your teacher and dispose of all broken glass in the Glass Disposal container. Never pick up broken glass with your bare hands - use a dustpan and a brush.
13. If you cut or injure yourself, report it to the teacher immediately and receive treatment.
14. If a spill occurs, inform your teacher immediately, and clean up the spill as instructed by your teacher.
15. When finished with chemicals, dispose of them in the appropriate waste disposal container as instructed by the teacher.
16. In the event of a school fire drill, or an actual fire in the lab, turn off all gas and electrical equipment and **WALK** out quickly and silently.

I understand these safety rules. I agree to abide by them as they are in place for the safety of my classmates, my teacher, and me. I agree that I may be asked to leave the laboratory if I do not follow these rules.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____