SCIENCE DEPARTMENT SAFETY CONTRACT

Safety is of utmost importance in the science rooms and laboratories. Science classes are meant to bring practical meaning to our lives and therefore are designed to be hands-on as much as possible. The following safety guidelines must be followed to ensure your safety and the safety of others.

- 1. Students should NEVER touch anything in the class or laboratory without permission.
- 2. Students should NEVER pour anything but water down the drain without permission from the teacher. Some chemicals can NOT go down the drain.
- 3. Students will NOT sit on the lab counters. It is not safe.
- 4. Students will NOT eat or drink during labs.
- 5. Students will NOT turn on or handle the gas jets unless the lab calls for the use of gas.
- 6. Students must wear goggles and lab aprons when specified by the teacher. Assume all liquids and solids are dangerous and proceed with caution.
- 7. Students who display a lack of cooperation or careless behavior in the laboratory will immediately be asked to sit down. They will also lose credit for the lab that day.
- 8. Repeated incidents of uncooperative or "off task" behavior may result in a permanent ban from laboratory experiences.
- 9. Any equipment carelessly broken by a student will need to be replaced by that student at his/her expense. Items must be replaces or students will NOT be able to take the final exam.
- 10. Students must CLEAN UP efficiently and thoroughly and will be held responsible for their laboratory station.

By signing below, you are stating that you understand the above expectation and objectives for your science class in terms of lab work and demonstrations. If you have any concerns whatsoever, please write them on the back of this sheet and the teacher will address them in a timely fashion. NOTE: Students may not participate in any lab experience unless this contract is signed and returned.

Parent Signature	Date
Student Signature	Date