

**PORTAGE MIDDLE SCHOOLS  
SCIENCE LABORATORY SAFETY RULES AND AGREEMENT**

The following list of rules is posted in the classroom and is periodically reviewed with the student. These rules apply while students are working in all labs. It is very important that every student knows and understands each rule to avoid injury of him/herself and others. Violation of any of these rules may result in disciplinary action.

1. No students are permitted in the labs or chemical storage areas without teacher supervision.
2. No horseplay, running, pushing or loud talking are permitted in the lab.
3. No food, drinks, or gum are permitted in the lab.
4. Long hair must be secured in such a way that it will not come in contact with lab materials or open flame.
5. Safety goggles and aprons are to be worn during all experiments in the lab as directed by the teacher.
6. Contact lenses are strongly discouraged in some labs and, at times, will not be allowed.
7. DO ONLY THE EXPERIMENTS ASSIGNED OR APPROVED BY YOUR TEACHER. FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY, AND THE SAFETY OF THOSE AROUND YOU, UNAUTHORIZED EXPERIMENTS ARE PROHIBITED.
8. FOLLOW ALL WRITTEN AND VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS AS DIRECTED BY THE TEACHER.
9. Use proper care and caution when using all laboratory materials and equipment.
10. Proper handling, care and procedures must be followed when working with living plant and animal specimens.
11. No chemical should be touched or tasted without teacher permission.
12. Never leave an experiment unattended or burners burning unnecessarily.
13. All materials are to be returned to their proper place or disposed of as the teacher indicates before leaving the lab.
14. No material may leave the lab without the teacher's written permission.
15. No materials should be returned to the stock bottles. If you take too much, see your teacher.
16. Report any breakage, spillage or fire to the teacher immediately.
17. Report all injuries or accidents, no matter how minor, to the teacher.

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**SCIENCE LABORATORY SAFETY AGREEMENT**

I have read the above safety rules for the science lab. My teacher has discussed each rule with the class and I understand my responsibility to follow them.

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Teacher/hour

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date

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student signature

I have discussed the importance of following the above safety rules with my son/daughter.

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Home phone

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business phone

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parent/guardian signature