**Laboratory Safety Contract**

This contract is to help ensure that both students and parents know the rules and responsibilities of students using and participating in labs for this class. Labs are a way for students to get “hands-on” science experience and understand science concepts in a more complete way.

1. Students will read through instructions fully before starting on the lab. Questions can be asked, of course!
2. Students will familiarize themselves with safety equipment in the classroom; i.e. eye wash, safety shower, and fire extinguisher.
3. Students will always wear the safety goggles provided.
4. Closed toe shoes are required during lab days.
5. Those with long hair will need to tie it back (have a hair tie in your locker or one from class will be provided).
6. If lab requires you to smell a chemical DO NOT sniff the container! Instead waft the smell toward your nose using your hand.
7. NEVER taste, eat, or drink anything in a lab unless instructed to do so.
8. No rough housing or horseplay allowed.
9. Never work alone in the laboratory!
10. No eating or drinking is allowed in the lab.
11. Always keep your area tidy. You are responsible for cleaning up your space!
12. Keep the aisles clear.
13. Never point lasers in eyes or hold against skin, hair, or any other biologic material.
14. Keep your hands away from your face, clothing, and skin if we are using chemicals.
15. If living organisms are used in a lab make sure they are treated humanely.
16. Dispose of all chemicals and biological materials in the manner instructed.
17. Handle knives and sharp instruments carefully. Tips and points should be carried pointing down and away from your body.
18. Report any accident to your instructor.
19. Report any injury to your instructor.
20. Never pour unused chemicals or used chemicals into their original containers unless instructed to do so.
21. Always add acid to water not the other way around. NEVER water to acid!

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have read the above safety contract and understand that I am accountable for my actions and helping to maintain a safe learning environment for myself and my peers.

Student Signature: Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_