General Science Classroom Safety Rules for Students

Read all directions

before beginning a laboratory investigation. **Be alert** and listen for directions. **Ask questions** if you do not understand any part of the investigation.

Take extra precautions when handling chemicals.

Never pour chemicals or other substances into the sink or trash. If a chemical spill occurs, notify the teacher immediately.

Never perform activities that are not authorized by the teacher.

Do not handle equipment without specific permission.



Never eat or drink in the laboratory. Never drink from a beaker or other container used in the laboratory.

No loud talking or playing in the laboratory.

Handle cutting instruments

carefully. Never cut materials toward you. Use a cutting motion away from yourself.



Clean up your work area

and return equipment and supplies to their proper place.

Wash your hands with soap and warm water after every investigation.

Turn off all burners before leaving the lab.



Know the location and use of all safety equipment (fire extinguishers, eyewash station, safety shower, fire blankets, chemical spill kits).

Never work in the laboratory alone or without permission.

Do not enter supply or storage rooms without a teacher present or without the teacher's permission.

