



SCIENCE SAFETY LETTER

Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians:

Williamston Middle School science consists of engaging topics for students to investigate in a lab setting. However, any science activity may have potential safety issues if not conducted properly. Safety in the science classroom is an important part of the scientific process. To ensure a safe learning environment, a list of rules has been developed and discussed with all students because science rules must be followed at all times. Additional safety instructions will be given for each activity. Please discuss the safety rules with your child and return the signed Science Safety Agreement, located on the back of this Science Safety Letter.

No science student will be allowed to participate in science activities until the student and a parent or guardian have acknowledged their understanding of these safety rules by signing this document.

Science Safety Rules:

1. Conduct yourself in a responsible manner at all times in the science room.
2. Follow instructions carefully. Ask questions if you do not understand the instructions.
3. Use equipment (e.g., scissors, and sharp items) only as directed by the teacher.
4. Perform only approved experiments.
5. Never eat, drink, chew gum, or taste anything in the science lab.
6. Keep hands away from face, eyes, and mouth while using science materials. Wash your hands with soap and water after the activity.
7. Wear safety goggles when instructed. Never remove safety goggles during an experiment. There are no exceptions to this rule!
8. Clean all work areas and equipment, and dispose properly of any waste materials.
9. Report any accident (spill, breakage, and so on), injury, or broken equipment to the teacher immediately.
10. If you have allergies, it is important that your teacher knows about them and that you avoid handling materials that could cause problems. For example, if you are allergic to latex, you can participate in activities that use balloons, but you should not be the one to handle the balloons.



SCIENCE SAFETY AGREEMENT

We are providing the Science Safety Rules to keep you informed of Williamston Middle School's effort to create and maintain a safe science classroom/laboratory environment for all students.

Your signature on this Science Safety Agreement indicates that you have read the Science Safety Rules, have reviewed them with your child, and are aware of the measures taken to ensure the safety of your son/daughter in the science classroom.

Student Name

Student Signature

Grade

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

Important question - Does your child have any health issues or allergies? If yes, please list them below.