

# Welcome to Sixth Grade Science!

My name is Miss Johnson and I would like to welcome you to your science class! I am looking forward to working with you throughout the year. The best way to contact me would be through email [ajohnson@kyrene.org](mailto:ajohnson@kyrene.org) and my website [yayscience.net](http://yayscience.net). If you have questions, I am here to help!

## Materials for Science

- Green composition notebook that is **100 pages** (NOT a spiral notebook)
- Tape
- Ruler
- Pencils and a pencil sharpener (or mechanical pencils with LOTS of extra lead at home)
- Green pocket folder
- Colored pencils
- Notebook paper (with extra packs at home)

**Homework for parents!** – Send an email to Miss Johnson with your child’s name as the subject line. In the body of the email, tell me something cool about your child. The due date is Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. (This way I have your email for future communication!)

## Classroom Expectations

- Respect: No talking when someone else is talking and show respect at all times to all.
- Electronics: Everything that has an on button should be turned off during the school day unless I give you permission to use your phone for something specific (stopwatch, etc.).
- Dress Code: Students should dress in accordance to the Handbook. Basically, anything that is an undergarment should be under something and not be seen.
- Homework: There will be a science assignment for each quarter. These will be at home projects and while I will help, students are expected to complete the work at home.
- Late Work: You may turn in any late work up to the end of the quarter, but points will be taken off the grade for it being late. Turn your work in on time!
- Absent Work: Pick up your absent work from the absent folder. Read through it and if you have any questions about the assignment come see me and I can help. However, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO PICK IT UP!!!! Please let me let me know in advance if you are going to be absent so I can get the assignments to you early.

Thank you in advance for all of your hard work throughout this year. If there is ever anything I can do to help make your educational experience better, please let me know!

I have received, read and understand the expectations for sixth grade science.

Student’s Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# SCIENCE SAFETY CONTRACT

**Safety is the # 1 priority in our classroom.** To ensure a safe learning environment, all students will be instructed in science classroom safety and the student /parent/ guardian safety contract will be signed and filed at school. Students acting in an unsafe manor may be removed from any lab activity for one or more class periods and assigned an alternative learning experience.

- 1) I will act **respectfully and responsibly** at all times in the lab. I understand that horseplay, jokes, and pranks are not appropriate during a science lab.
- 2) I will follow all instructions carefully. If in doubt, I will ask my teacher for assistance **before proceeding with the activity.**
- 3) When I enter the lab, I **will not touch any equipment** until instructed to do so.
- 4) I will **remain at my assigned work area** unless otherwise directed by my teacher. I will not wander around the room, **distracting, discussing or interfering** with the lab of others.
- 5) I will **perform only those activities that have been authorized** by the teacher.
- 6) I will **keep my table, the area around it, and communal areas in the room clean and neat.** Before I leave my lab station for the day, I will **clean up, wash down the work area, and return all materials** to their proper place and I will **wash my hands.**
- 7) I will **wear my safety goggles** whenever asked, especially when we are working with glassware, chemicals or heat. **I understand that there are no exceptions to this rule; if I take my goggles off in the lab room, I will surrender my right to do the lab.**
- 8) I will **never use or handle broken or chipped equipment**, especially glassware.
- 9) I will **secure long hair, baggy clothes, and dangling jewelry** while using any source of fire in a laboratory activity.
- 10) I will **not take anything out of the classroom** without permission from the teacher.

I understand, agree to follow, and accept the consequences for not following all of the safety rules discussed in class and within this contract.

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

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Permission To View PG Videos

During the school year the sixth grade team will select videos which enhance our 6<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum. All of these videos will be school appropriate but some may have a rating of PG. Students may not watch a PG video without parent/guardian permission. In order for your child to participate in the viewing of a selected PG film throughout the year, the form below must be completed and returned to your child's teacher.

My child, \_\_\_\_\_, may view videos, whether rated G or PG, that have been selected by his/her teachers for this school year.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date