Safety Contract

Our middle school biotech camps are a laboratory science experience. You will be spending much of your time in the laboratory performing exercises. You may be working with hazardous chemicals or potentially dangerous equipment. We feel that it is very important to emphasize safety and to provide you with basic instruction regarding lab safety. We have established a list of laboratory expectations in order to maintain as safe an environment as possible. No safety program is effective without the cooperation of all involved. Thus, we have you read and sign this safety contract. Please initial each expectation, sign and submit this copy to be turned in and kept on file.

Laboratory Expectations

____ I will not touch laboratory equipment unless instructed to do so by an instructor.

____ I will not work ahead or do experiments on my own.

____ I will report any and all injuries to my instructor.

____ I will wear laboratory appropriate clothing and dress appropriate each day:

long pants and closed toe shoes

tie back my hair, if applicable

remove or tie back any clothing that may hang down into chemical(s) or equipment

____ I will not eat or drink, including chewing gum in the laboratory

____ I will not taste any of the chemicals and I will report any spills to my instructor.

____ I will not use my cell phone during class time. Cell phone camera and digital camera may be used when picture time is provided.

____ I will maintain appropriate and respectful behavior while I am a guest of the HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology.

I, __________________________ (print name) have read and agree to follow all of the safety rules set forth in this contract. I realize that I must obey these rules to ensure my own safety and that of my fellow students and instructors. I will cooperate to the fullest extent with my instructor and fellow students to maintain a safe lab environment. I will also closely follow all of the oral and written instructions provided by the instructors. I am aware that any violation of this safety contract or misbehavior that results in unsafe conduct in the laboratory may result in my being removed from the laboratory and the middle school biotech camp program.

Signature ______________________________________________________ Date: ______________________

I understand that my child is required to follow the laboratory expectations. I am aware that any violation of this safety contract or misbehavior that results in unsafe conduct in the laboratory may result in my child(ren) being removed from the laboratory and the middle school biotech camp program.

Parent: ______________________________________________________ Date: ______________________