Rules in the biology Lab

1. Conduct yourself in a responsible manner
2. No horseplay
3. No food or drink in the lab
4. Do not touch any chemicals/equipment unless instructed to do so.
5. Do not use lab glassware as containers for foods or beverages
6. Follow all instructions, written and verbally, the first time.
7. Keep your work area clean
8. Wash your hands after labs involving chemicals
9. Keep aisles clear from book bags and electrical cords
10. Dispose of chemicals and trash according to directions
11. Do not handle broken or chipped glass – notify teacher
12. Cut away from your body when using scalpels or scissors
13. When using a flame, avoid baggy sleeves and pull back hair
14. Use caution when heating substances – keep hands away!!!
15. Wear protective equipment when necessary (goggles and aprons)
16. Use both hands when transporting microscopes
17. Know what to do in an emergency
18. Utilize the safety equipment (ex. Fire extinguisher, eye wash)
19. Know the fire exits from the classroom
20. Expect consequences
21. Accidents happen .. but let’s try to prevent them. If you do not follow these safety rules, you will not be allowed to participate in hands-on labs during class.

Laboratory Safety in the Biology Lab