

Science Fair Safety

- Be alert and work carefully without being distracted. Keeping yourself and others safe is very important!
- 2. **Immediately report** any accidents to a responsible adult.
- 3. Follow directions carefully. Ask a responsible adult if you have any questions.
- 4. Carefully wash your hands after working on your project.
- 5. Do not use animals in your experiment to ensure their safety and yours. We are not equipped to monitor the use of animals according to national science fair and animal rights standards.
- 6. Never taste your materials (unless safe taste testing is an actual part of your project).
- 7. Choose a project which does not require the use of **dangerous chemicals**.
- 8. Wear old clothes or an old shirt to **protect nice clothing**.
- 9. Use electricity **carefully**. Pull plugs from the outlet by the plug, never by the cord.
- 10. Wear protective eye glasses or goggles to **protect your eyes**.
- 11. If your project involves loud noises, be sure to wear **protective ear plugs**.
- 12. Handle any **candles or flames with caution**. Be sure to have a charged fire extinguisher nearby if your project includes these items. Anything with a flame may not be displayed at the fair.
- 13. Be careful when working with **glass** containers. Do not exhibit glass at the fair. Clear plastic containers might work as a substitute for glass containers.
- 14. **Carefully consider where** you do your project so as not to create a hazard for your family members, pets, and visitors to your project location.