

Interactive Science Notebook (ISN) Student Contract

Your Interactive Science Notebook will increase your understanding of science by:

- Using writing as a process for discovery and inquiry
- Modeling many functions of scientist such as recording information, data, and experimental diagrams
- Improving your ability to organize ideas and information to provide a study reference for each unit, as well as a resource to consult for review for tests
- Demonstrating to your teacher and to your parents your developing organizations skills, understanding of science concepts, and ability to express thoughts and feelings in a variety of ways.

Think as a scientist.... record as a scientist..... and reflect as a scientist!



Required:

1. 2 bound marble composition notebook with **at least 100 pages each**. DO NOT rip out any pages.
2. To boost student ownership of their notebooks, I ask that students bring in pictures or print out anything they would like to decorate the cover of their notebook with. Decorations need to be school appropriate.
3. Students are required to bring their ISNs to class EVERY DAY. Students should also take their ISNs home daily to complete assignments and reflections.
4. Organized + Neat: We will be writing our class notes, labs, snapshots, vocabulary, and other assignments in the notebooks. COLOR is to be used to liven up the notebook.
5. A Table of Contents (TOC) will be kept in the front of the notebook and will be updated regularly.
6. This handout guide will be put in your ISN after signing by you and your parents/guardians.
7. Each Unit your ISN will be the equivalent of 2 daily grades. There will also be other notebook checks for specific assignments.
8. **If you are absent, it is YOUR responsibility to update your ISN by looking at Mrs. Martinez' notebook or your classmates notebook. Being absent is not an excuse for not having your ISN up-to-date.**

ISNs & Decorations for the cover need to be brought to class by Monday, 8-28-17

Student: I understand the purpose of the Interactive Science Notebook and will try my best to keep my notebook up-to-date and complete, If I fall behind I will quickly seek out help to bring it up-to-date.

Student Name _____

Parents/Guardians: I have read the above information. I understand the purpose of the Interactive Science Interactive Notebook and will encourage and monitor my student's completion of notebook work. I will support make-up time either before or after school if necessary.

Parent Signature _____ date _____