General Physics I & II Lab Safety Policies

All students registered for Physics 101/102 labs are responsible for reading and reviewing the below safety policies each semester. The rules are designed to give you and fellow students a safe and educational lab experience.

Laboratory Policies:

1. Never enter the laboratory without the presence of the laboratory instructor, laboratory staff, or other laboratory personnel who have attended safety training.
2. Proper apparel must be worn by all students in the laboratory. No open-toed shoes, hair should be tied back, and dangling jewelry removed.
3. Safety glasses must be worn when instructed.
4. Food, drinks, candy, and gum must not enter the laboratory. Food and drink is to be left outside the lab. This includes capped bottled water and soft drinks.
5. Please report any accidents/injuries/spills immediately to your instructor. The instructor will determine the best way to address the problem.
6. Students must familiarize themselves with the safety equipment in the laboratory such as fire extinguishers and fire exits.
7. Broken glassware should be swept up with a broom and dust pan and placed in the “Broken Glass Box”. Never place broken glass in the regular garbage can.
8. Cell phones should not be used in the laboratory without the permission of your instructor or lab supervisor.
9. Deliberate misuse of instruments or disturbing behavior may result in disciplinary action.
10. Water should not be used or present near electrical sources such as computers and equipment. Use caution when working around electricity.
11. Laboratory prep area is for laboratory instructor use only. Do not enter unless authorized to do so.
12. Do not place fingers within rotating fans on dynamic carts.
13. Follow any other safety rules given in the lab protocols or issued by your laboratory instructor.
14. When building alarm sounds all must evacuate via the nearest designated emergency exit and proceed to the designated assembly area.
15. In case of a fire, immediately evacuate the building through the nearest exit route. Do not use elevators. Assist disabled persons in exiting the building.

Please note the location of your nearest:

Fire Alarm Pull Station: ________________________________
Fire Extinguishers: ________________________________
First Aid Kit: ________________________________
Automated External Defibrillator: ________________________________
Outside Assembly Point Location: ________________________________
SDS Location: ________________________________