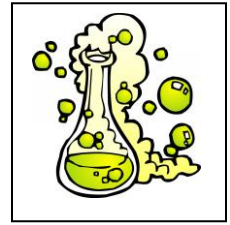


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Dear Parents or Guardians,

Welcome back! This school year is going to be an amazing learning experience for your child! The first half of the year students will dedicate their learning to different types of machines and energy resources. Then move on around December to layers of the atmosphere and weather. In the spring students should look forward to the smallest unit of life the cell and classification of living things. Then we will wrap up the year with interdependence, how all these things are related the nonliving and living to produce life on Earth.

My goal is to give your student all the tools they need to successfully achieve sixth grade science. Students will build upon 6<sup>th</sup> grade science in the following years 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> to finally take the New York State Science Intermediate Exam at the end of their time in RFK Middle School. So it is essential they start off on the right track.

In our school it is essential students come prepared, preparation leads to success. School supplies students need will include the following:

- 2 Marble note books** (1 for in class notes and the other for hw, all hw should be written or stapled in)
- 2 Folders** (1 will be kept in class, this will store all their portfolio work, the other should remain with the student for handouts)
- Small Calculator**
- Pencils**
- Colored Pencils**
- USB Flash Drive** (this will help students **save and transport** work from school and home)

You should also take note that students will be **required** in science to complete an **"EXIT PROJECT"**, this is simply put a science project. Throughout the year students will learn about the scientific method and proper procedures. With this in mind students are given time to research and choose a topic with parent and teacher approval to complete their project.

We often find during the year students participate in different activities like the science fair and pictures may be taken for school purposes. Attached you will find a parental release form you must sign to allow us to do such.

Major projects and information can be found on the school website [www.RFK250.com](http://www.RFK250.com), under school staff you may find me, Ms. O'Sullivan! There you will find most major *assignments, tasks, and reviews* the students need to achieve this year in science.

Please feel free to contact me, it is best to use email ([EOsullivan@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:EOsullivan@schools.nyc.gov)) or you may leave a message with the school.

During this year please encourage your child at times they may struggle. Remind them if there is any improvement that is success! Please, fill in the information below and have your child return it.

Thank you,

Ms. O'Sullivan 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science

Print Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\* RETURN TO SCIENCE CLASS\*\*\*Do not forget back\*\*\*

Print Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Sign Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email \_\_\_\_\_

Circle which contact you prefer!



**CONSENT TO PHOTOGRAPH, FILM, OR VIDEOTAPE A STUDENT FOR NON-PROFIT USE**  
(e.g. educational, public service, or health awareness purposes)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: District 25 I.S.250 RFK Middle School

I hereby consent to the participation in interviews, the use of quotes, and the taking of photographs, movies or video tapes of the Student named above by IS 250 RFK Staff.

I also grant to IS 250 RFK Staff the right to edit, use, and reuse said products for non-profit purposes including use in print, on the internet, and all other forms of media. I also hereby release the New York City Department of Education and its agents and employees from all claims, demands, and liabilities whatsoever in connection with the above.

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if Student is under 18): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

Signature of Student (if 18 or over): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Student: \_\_\_\_\_