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WHAT'S NEW AT ASCIP?

• **New Resources:**

- Wildfires Risk Alert
- Indoor Environmental Quality Guidelines
- Several Guidelines and Sample Agreements have been updated

• **Welcome New Members!**

Joining July 1, 2019:

- **Castaic SD—P&L and Wk Comp**
- **Los Alamitos USD—Dental**
- **San Jacinto USD—Wk Comp**

• **Welcome New Staff!**

- **Jeff Grubbs—Chief Operations Officer**
- **Noel Waldvogel—Claims Manager**

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ALLIANCE OF SCHOOLS FOR COOPERATIVE INSURANCE PROGRAMS

Increasing Safety Awareness One Car At A Time

Student safety is a priority for all of us. But are you willing to knock on doors in your community, visit local businesses and attend City Council meetings to promote it? Meet the “passionate about safety”, Laurie Bruneau, Director of Risk Management for the Fullerton School District (FSD), who has done just that to promote “Go Human” at her schools and in her community. In an era of distracted drivers and fast-paced living, little “humans” walking to and from school are especially vulnerable. Laurie shares “I have been concerned that schools have



become commuter schools with parents blasting through parking lots without ever noticing” the students. Laurie had been seeking a safety solution when she noticed a Go Human billboard, which humanized the pedestrian.

Go Human is a program offered by Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) to re-

duce traffic in Southern California by promoting walking and bicycling. But to do that, you have to make it safe for pedestrians. Laurie reached out to SCAG and, through their grant program, was able to get an initial

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Using Technology to Simplify HazCom

Attempting to comply with hazard communication requirements including chemical inventory, employee training, along with obtaining and ensuring employee-access to safety data sheets (SDSs) is a daunting task, so when ASCIP reached out to Debbie Valentine, District Manager of Environmental Health & Safety for North Orange County Community College District to pilot an online resource designed to simplify the process, she welcomed the opportunity.

Initially, the tool seemed overwhelming because of its many features, but now Debbie says “I love it! It frees up my time to do other things. If there is a spill in chemistry, I can get quick access to the SDS and so can the site where the spill occurred.” The chemical information can also be sent directly to a doctor if needed. Debbie shares that “once I began really using MSDSonline, I discovered how valuable it is.” She states she can easily track chemicals in each department separately, and the tool allows subsets within the department, so she can even track chemicals by classroom. All employees can have access, so instructors use MSDSonline to educate students on

safe handling of chemicals as well. Debbie shares that it was easy to train staff on using the system, plus she has the ability to download all of the District’s SDSs onto a flash drive to include as part of their Business Plan to help keep first responders safe if responding to an emergency at one of their sites.

The tool allows the user to print secondary labels and reports, flag any prohibited chemicals, inventory chemicals by location, and more. MSDSonline is also accessible from mobile devices making it easy for staff to access SDS information in emergencies. ASCIP can provide members using MSDSonline with custom posters and fliers for members’ sites to assure that afterhours staff have easy access to an SDS when needed.

Dan Snyder, Hazardous Material Foreman for Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) uses MSDSonline to manage his District’s maintenance and operations chemicals. The resource allows multiple users and is easy to use, plus it provides quick access to the SDS when needed. Rolando Cardenas, Director of Risk Management for AUSD says there are a number of features his

District is not using yet, but Dan and Rolando have reached out to ASCIP requesting additional training and to help them expand the use of MSDSonline to the classroom to help AUSD improve classroom safety.

If your District is struggling with Safety Data Sheet compliance, ensuring staff have access to the SDS when needed or making sure you have the most current SDS for your chemicals, then consider using MSDSonline. It is available to ASCIP members at no cost. Your District may have signed up for MSDSonline but is not fully using it. Simply contact your ASCIP Risk Services Consultant today to learn more about this valuable resource and to schedule training. Information about this tool can be found in the Risk Services section under [Prevention Services](http://www.ASCIP.org) on www.ASCIP.org.



Why Bother with ASCIP-B?

Training Corner

ASCIP  YouTube

ASCIP is posting our Webinars to YouTube.

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- Heat Illness
- Bullying Prevention
- Active Shooter
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QUOTE OF THE DAY—

You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore.

Christopher Columbus



Booster clubs and auxiliary groups are the “backbone” for sustaining education and extracurricular programs in schools. Without their financial support, many programs could not exist. While booster clubs are separate organizations from school districts, their affiliation may infer liability for the District. Therefore, it is essential that Booster clubs carry liability insurance for their activities.

ASCIP offers an optional group purchase insurance program, which provides \$1 million in liability coverage for all of a member’s booster clubs and auxiliary groups. The ASCIP-B policy is separate from the member coverage and offers protection to these groups. With ASCIP-B, booster club officers and volunteers will not be responsible for providing liability protection through their personal homeowner’s insurance or other sources. The coverage provides protection for the entire program year, eliminating the need to arrange coverage for



each event and then provide separate Certificates of Insurance (COI).

The premium to cover all of a member’s booster clubs is much cheaper than for each club to purchase its own policy. Plus, members who secure ASCIP-B ensure that adequate coverage is in place when events take place, simplifying the process and hassle of collecting a COI from each group for every activity. Also, members are automatically named additionally insured. The coverage is affordable, a time-saver and provides peace of mind.

To enroll in ASCIP-B simply complete and return the Booster Club Roster Form (found on our website under the Optional Coverages section of Insurance for Schools) for each auxiliary groups you want covered, then pay the ASCIP-B premium on your invoice this July. Contact ASCIP Risk Services staff for more information about this program.

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supply of signs and materials to launch her safety campaign to encourage drivers to be more aware of pedestrians and slow down, especially around schools. Then she had to get the school principals onboard to provide the education in the classrooms, encourage parent awareness through PTA reminders and newsletters, then post signs around the school campuses. Now she’s getting her community involved. She has attended City Council meetings to encourage them to embrace the program and is reaching out to local businesses to place Go Human awareness signs in their windows.

Is the program working? According to Chad Hammitt, Assistant Superintendent Personnel Services for Fullerton School District, the District had noticed an “uptick in parents transporting students to school and near misses were on the rise.” Now all of the FSD schools have embraced the program with crossing guards reporting fewer close calls. More importantly, children are now reminding their parents when noticing their distracted driving habits, leading to a new generation of more aware drivers.

So what are the next steps for Ms. Bruneau’s Go Human safety campaign? She is contacting Cal State Fullerton to encourage their promotion of the program, since the university is a such big part of the Fullerton community. Laurie also plans to develop signs for the district’s white fleet and to “encourage more community champions for the Go Human program to carry on the safety message.” Way to go safety champion Laurie Bruneau for protecting the little humans of Fullerton along with creating a safer community!



2019-20 ASCIP Grant Opportunities

ASCIP is excited to support creative projects from members through a grant designed to assist members develop innovative risk management and loss control programs that can then be shared with the entire membership. Molestation/abuse claims and special education related injuries pose significant exposure to the ASCIP member-

ship. Therefore, ideas that attempt to mitigate loss in these areas will receive greater consideration during this year’s evaluation process. The last day to submit an application for an ASCIP Grant is August 30, 2019. Learn more by reviewing the Grant Procedures found on the Risk Services page at <http://ascip.org/risk-services/>.

