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West Texas AGC News & Resources

Safety Tips: 22 Safety Tips for 2022

Preparing for a new year with completion and wrap up of the old and anticipation of the new. Now is a great time to get started on your safety resolutions for 2022. Whether it's changing policies or just improving existing ones. Attached is a list of 22 things you can do to improve your safety before and after an incident to make your future workplace safer.

West Texas AGC can help you with your safety program. Contact us for a Safety Program or Drive Safe Manual and Toolbox Talk and Safety meeting topics for your company.



[Safety Tips 2022](#)

West Texas AGC Offices - Holiday Closing Dates

Closed for the Christmas Holiday – Beginning at noon on Thursday, December 23rd & all-day Friday, December 24th





Taylor County and City of Abilene Announce Partnership with Lancium for a \$2.4B Data Center

Lancium, a Houston-based energy technology and infrastructure company was approved by Taylor County and the City of Abilene to build a large scale, renewable energy powered data center campus in Abilene and Taylor County.

Lancium and its customers plan to invest \$2.4billion over 20 years, create 57 full-time jobs and build their "Clean Compute Campus" on about 800 acres in Taylor County and Abilene, pending annexation into the city limits.

The project's 100,000 square foot commercial building is listed in the abatement agreement.

[Abilene Reporter News Article](#)

COVID-19 and the Holidays

GBCA and AGC of America continue to encourage members of the construction industry to stay healthy and take the necessary precautions against COVID-19. In particular, we encourage that all eligible individuals get one of the three approved vaccines against COVID-19, and take the necessary precautions this holiday season.

[CDC has provided tips for the 2021 holiday season and also has some reminders for individuals who are traveling - Click below](#)

AGC of America has produced some videos to remind the industry about the real danger that COVID-19 poses to members of our industry and to our families. Click below

[Click Here for COVID-19 & the Holidays](#)

5 Smart Ways Small Businesses Can Give Back

In 2022, make charitable giving and volunteer work a year-round activity. Companies that engrain philanthropy in their business model will reap many benefits beyond just a tax deduction. They'll be known for their generosity—an investment that will pay back many times over.

1. Give to organizations aligned with your business goals.
2. Consider “in kind” donations.
3. Get your employees involved.
4. Get your customers involved.
5. Make generosity a year-round affair.

[Read More - 5 Key Tips](#)

PROJECT MANAGER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Online class begins January 19, 2022

NEW AGC Project Manager Development Program (PMDP) . This training will be held online via Zoom video conferencing twice weekly beginning January 19 and ending February 17, 2022.

The revised PMDP curriculum takes participants through the management of the entire lifecycle of a construction project, and contains the following five units:

- Unit 1: Introduction to Project Management
- Unit 2: Initiating and Planning, Part 1
- Unit 3: Initiating and Planning, Part 2
- Unit 4: Executing
- Unit 5: Monitoring and Controlling, and Project Closeout

When: 1pm to 5pm CST, beginning January 19 (Wednesday) then every Thursday & Tuesday thereafter (January 20, 25, 27, and February 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17)

Where: This class will be hosted online by Procore via Zoom video conferencing.

Cost: \$1395 for AGC members or \$1795 for non-members. Fee includes 5 textbooks.

West Texas AGC Members receive the Austin AGC MEMBER RATE!

Contact [Toni Osberry](#) to register and receive the member rate of \$1,395.00

OSHA to Proceed with Implementation and Enforcement of the Rule Issued on November 5, 2021 for Vaccination and Testing (ETS)

On Friday, December 17, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit dissolved the Fifth

Circuit's stay of the OSHA Vaccination and Testing Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS). This decision allows OSHA to proceed with implementation and enforcement of the rule issued on November 5, 2021. AGC is a party to the proceedings in the Sixth Circuit, having filed its own petition for petition for review, and is actively engaged in a review of its legal options moving forward. AGC will continue to keep its chapters and members updated on any future developments.

To account for any uncertainty created by the Fifth Circuit's stay, OSHA is exercising enforcement discretion with respect to the compliance dates of the ETS. To provide employers with sufficient time to come into compliance, OSHA will not issue citations for noncompliance with any requirements of the ETS before *January 10, 2022* and will not issue citations for noncompliance with the standard's testing requirements before *February 9, 2022*, so long as an employer is exercising reasonable, good faith efforts to come into compliance with the standard.

*In an effort to assist members with increasing the vaccination rates among their workforce and to comply with the ETS requirements, AGC created a **vaccine tool kit** webpage which contains a construction oriented **summary of the ETS** detailing employers compliance options and obligations as well as additional resources.*

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2022 Outlook: Building to New Heights?

Wednesday, January 19, 2022 - 2:00 pm

Member Price \$0 | Non-Member Price \$79

Description:

Building construction appears to have bottomed out in mid-2021 and begun to top year-earlier levels. But the industry still faces multiple challenges: elevated materials costs and selected shortages, extended and uncertain delivery times, shrunken labor availability. How will these conditions change in 2022? AGC Chief Economist Ken Simonson will present building contractors' answers to these questions from the 2022 AGC Hiring and Business Outlook Survey, along with his own predictions.

[Register Here](#)

DON'T MISS THIS TEXAS-SIZED EVENT

AGC 2022 THE CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION CONVENTION



03/28/2022 - 03/31/2022

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The 2022 AGC Annual Convention is coming to TEXAS March 28th – 31st

The premier construction convention will be in our backyard. Catch up with your industry peers in Grapevine next March to stay up-to-date with cutting-edge construction trends. .

Find out more and Register at <https://convention.agc.org/>



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