Dolly Salter Earns Safety Recognition Award

Every fall weekend, hundreds of young children and their families flock to the LSUS soccer fields to compete in youth soccer and football. Thanks to Dolly Salter from the LSUS Office of Development, that journey is now much safer. While attending an athletic event with her granddaughter, Dolly notice a large hole near the HPE Building. The hole was very deep and concealed in the grass making it an easy trap for anyone walking in the vicinity. Had anyone fallen into the hole, the likely result would be a broken bone. Dolly promptly reported the hole which required Facilities Services six bags of cement to fill.

Dolly was awarded the LSUS Safety Recognition Award for recognizing and immediately reporting this serious safety hazard. By filling the hole, not only was a potential serious injury prevented, but also a possible lawsuit against our university. The LSUS Safety Recognition Award is presented to any member of the LSUS community who has helped make LSUS a safer place. Nominations for the award may be made to any member of the LSUS Safety Committee.

LSUS Successfully Completes ORM Audit

The LSUS Safety Program was commended following an audit by the Office of Risk Management on October 19th.

The comprehensive audit examined all areas of our Safety Program including lab safety, safety training, newsletter acknowledgements, hazardous materials, emergency planning and accident/incident reporting.

With an overall score of over 90% on the audit, LSUS will receive a much welcomed $75,000 discount on insurance premiums paid to the state.

Many thanks to all those in the LSUS family whose efforts made successful completion of this audit possible.

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A sincere thanks is extended to the many people who worked hard in preparation for the ORM audit. LSUS scored well over 90% on this comprehensive inspection. The audit looked into many different risk management areas including our Water Vessel Safety Program. If you didn’t know, the LSUS “fleet” consists of a pontoon boat and 12 foot Jon boat used by the Red River Watershed Management Institute. To safely support our massive fleet, the state requires extensive and voluminous documentation ranging from operator certification/training to completion of monthly inspection and maintenance paperwork. Bureaucracy – you have to love it!

A lot of confusion still exists concerning how to report accidents and incidents on campus. Please review the articles in this newsletter that address reporting procedures.

We are entering the Holiday Season, a time where safety risk tends to rise. Please think safety as winter weather approaches and continue the great job looking out for the safety and well being all members of the LSUS family.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

LSUS Accident/Incident Reporting Procedures

LSUS Policy 6.00.00 requires employees to report all accidents and incidents immediately to the Campus Police, regardless of severity.

Campus Police are trained in first aid and proper response procedures. They will assist in securing transportation to a medical facility if necessary and will complete accident/incident reports as required by the Office of Risk Management.

All accidents or incidents on LSUS, regardless of severity should immediately be reported to the Campus Police (#999 on campus, 455-5497)

When to Call 911

A medical emergency is defined as a condition that is potentially life threatening. Examples include, but are not limited to heart attack, seizures, stroke, inability to breathe, loss of consciousness, and serious bleeding. Should such a medical emergency occur on campus, 911 should be called first, followed immediately by a call to Campus Police (on campus #999, cell phone 455-5497).

911 should not be called in the case of minor injuries such as bruises, minor cuts, abrasions, or pulled muscles. Campus Police should still be called immediately, even if the injury appears slight. Campus Police officers are trained to administer first aid for these types of injuries and will coordinate additional medical attention if required.

LSUS Policy 6.01.00 prescribes that all accidents or incidents should be reported immediately to Campus Police regardless of severity. Emergency procedures for specific incidents, such as bomb threats, power outage, or automobile accidents may be found in the LSUS Emergency Procedures Quick Reference Manual (commonly known as the “flip chart”). This manual is available from Human Resource Management (Administration Building, Room 109) and should be kept where it is readily available in an emergency situation.