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Abilene State Supported Living Center

OUR MISSION:
To empower people to make choices
that result in a life of dignity and
increased independence.

AbSSLC News

Abilene SSLC

Week of May 9th, 2022

COVID19 Testing

Round 1

Tuesday, May 10th - 0530-1130 & 1300-1500

Round 2

Thursday, May 12th - 0530-1130 & 1300-1500

You must test both rounds each week

Storm Warning Siren



AbSSLC has a storm warning siren (located by the Powerhouse) that is activated in the event of severe weather that likely to impact the campus. When activated, you will hear a long, steady tone – that is your signal to take immediate cover.

It's important to note that we only place you "under cover" (via the siren and phone calls to the home/area) when weather is in the immediate vicinity of the campus or there is a pending threat. Many times, Taylor County is placed under a Thunderstorm or Tornado warning but if the storm isn't close to the campus we won't activate our warning system.

The system is tested briefly on the 1st of each month at 10am.

Cemetery Clean-Up Day

Maintenance, along with campus & community volunteers, if having a special Clean-Up Day at the AbSSLC Cemetery. It will be held on **Tuesday, May 10th from 9am-12pm.**

Our Cemetery is a special place with over 1,100 former residents buried there. There is a very long history with the first grave dating back to the early 1900s.

If you have time available (and approved by your supervisor), please take this opportunity to help – there is something for everyone to do!

The cemetery is located on Industrial Blvd, across from Cisco College. From campus, go south on Maple to Industrial and turn left (going east). Go under Loop 322 and look for the gate immediately past the Stripes. The gate is not marked but it will be open and you will see others there!

Want a Free Day Off?

Did you know you can get a **free** day off, just by finding your next co-worker? If you recommend someone to us that starts NEPT, you will receive 8 hours of Administrative Leave. You can earn up to 32 hours (4 days) per fiscal year!

Contact Amber Stanford for additional information or see your supervisor.

ERS Summer Enrollment

Summer Enrollment 2022 will be here soon. If you have moved within the last year, please be sure to log in to your ERS OnLine account and verify your current mailing address so you don't miss important information from the Employees Retirement System of Texas (ERS). Find out [how to update your mailing address with ERS OnLine.](#)

Upcoming Career Fair

We will have a **Career Fair** on Wednesday, May 18th from 9am-4pm at the Oakwood Trails Lodge. Please spread the word to friends & family and share the flyer!

Copies of the flyer are available [here](#) and at the Switchboard.

AbSSLC Career Fair!

Join us for the May 2022 Career Fair!

Start a new career with the State of Texas
Wide variety of positions available all with amazing benefits!

Benefits include:

- ☑️ 15 days Paid Vacation (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Sick Leave (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Family Leave (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Maternity Leave (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Parental Leave (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Bereavement Leave (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Compassionate Leave (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Short-Term Disability (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Long-Term Disability (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Life Insurance (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Health Insurance (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Dental Insurance (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Vision Insurance (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
- ☑️ 15 days Paid Term Life Insurance (15 days paid leave) (increased to 20 days)
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Wednesday, May 18th
9am-4pm
AbSSLC Oakwood Trails Lodge

Find us at 722 East South 27th between Maple & Oakwood
Watch for the signs on where to enter!

Shout Outs!

I would like to send a great big shout out to **Janie Brown**, Infirmery DSP on 10-6. You will not find anyone as caring, helpful or hard working than she is. She is always ... I say always ... looking out for the care and interest of the people we serve.

I cannot tell you how many times she comes to work on her nights off just so other DSP can get a night off. She is always busy doing something. I have seen her mop the floors of the infirmery because they were dirty, stock, and clean up after others. The numerous times she would straighten up the rooms because no one else did. The list goes on and on. No matter how hard, or how many hours she works, she always has a smile on her face and the best positive attitude that I have seen here. She goes above and beyond to assure the people we serve are taken very good care of. If there is anyone on this campus I would want to take care of me or one of my family members, it would definitely be her. If I had it my way, she would be the top trainer of the DSP. We truly need more people that are as passionate as she is. She is truly a blessing to this facility, the people who live here and to whomever crosses her path. Thank you so very much, Janie, for all your hard work and for your passionate heart. There is no one else like you.



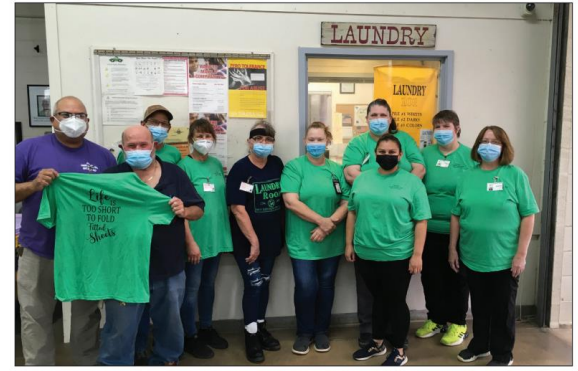
I would like to give our Housekeeper at 6330 3rd Street a Shout Out! **Victoria** is so hardworking and has such a positive attitude. We all love her here so much. She is always willing to help out with the guys and does tremendous work while she's here. I can't thank her enough for all she does every day.

Show out to **Kelsi** from Reimbursement! I wanted to let you know what a pleasure it was to have Kelsi at clinic yesterday. She jumped right in and was awesome learning two of the most disliked stations that are there and at times doing both. I wanted to express what a pleasure it was to work with her.

I want to give a Shout Out to the **Day Programs! Seniors and Activity Centers** opened their doors for the first time in about a year this past week! **Recreation** put on a special event honoring our older Americans on Thursday at the gym! **Activity Centers** joined in and made a big event out of it! Thanks to both of them for their hard work this past week! Big thanks to **Vocational Services** for working hard providing services for the individuals all through COVID19. It had many challenges but they were successful in those challenges! Thanks to all the Day Program staff for the part they have played in helping the homes!

I want to give **Bobby** from the 2-10 shift @ 6521 Peach a huge THANK YOU for his help with info on an Immediate Danger. It was reported before his shift and he quickly found out the information I needed to complete the form! Thanks, Bobby for being so diligent with this!

ABILENE SSLC



Abilene SSLC recently celebrated National Laundry and Linen Week with treats, pizza and more! The Abilene laundry staff is Patsy Salas, Carl Lawrence, Lilia Hernandez, Nina Moreno, Tiffany Marple, Monica Flippin, Deanna Wilburn, Brandi Ford, Adam Martinez, Kenneth Wheeler. Not pictured are Sandra Sparks and Rene Rodriguez.

Shout Out!

Have you seen someone do the above & beyond or just want to recognize great work?

It's easy to do a Shout Out!

- "Reply" to any of the update texts you receive through the AskAdmin Text Group
- Email Jeff Goza with their name and your comments
- Text their name and your comments to 325.370.4525

Let's **Shout Out** and recognize others!