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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

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Week of August 21st, 2023



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Care System

Together We Shine

Supporting a culture of quality in HSCS facilities.

https://umassmed.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_d5Mh5JeixSa0B4q

State Office is surveying **all staff** on the on-going Together We Shine initiative.

Please take a few minutes to let your thoughts be known by clicking the link above or scanning the QR Code!



Food Friday!

Friday - August 25th

Dragon Soul

11:30am-130:pm (or sellout)

Show Cones

1:pm-4:00pm

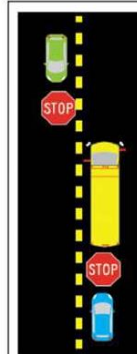


New Texting Service

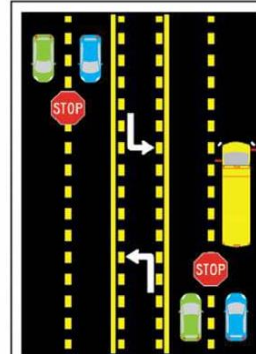
We will be changing Texting Services on September 1st. You won't (*hopefully*) have to sign back up but if you want to see a preview, you can text **AbSSLCAskAdmin** to **77295**

STOPPED SCHOOL BUS

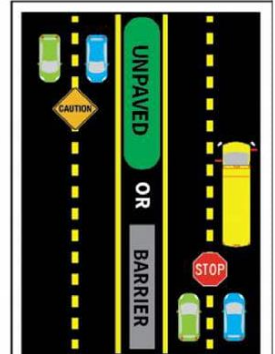
What do I do?



TWO LANE
Vehicles traveling in both directions MUST stop.



MULTI-LANE PAVED ACROSS
Vehicles traveling in both directions MUST stop.



DIVIDED HIGHWAY
Unpaved space 5 ft+/raised median/physical barrier. Vehicles behind bus MUST stop. Vehicles traveling in the opposite direction must proceed with caution.

These same rules apply on-campus!

We have school buses here at various times of the day



Click the [link](#) or scan the code to let us know your questions or tell us your ideas and thoughts to make AbSSLC an even better place to live & work!



See Something – Say Something

Shout Outs!

I want to request a shout out **Todd** and **Ladd** in Maintenance/Carpentry. They are the best! I request a lot of things and they come and get it done, time after time. Building items, finding items for the home to use, installing shelves, basketball goals, soundbars, DVD players, wall décor, etc. They are great guys, and we are lucky to have them.

I would like to give a shout out to the **whole campus. All departments.** We all came together and helped when other areas needed it the most. Holdovers, different homes, even different departments. I'm more and more impressed with the leadership this campus has shown.

I want to thank the whole **Maintenance Department** for helping us move from 6360 1st Street to 6340 3rd Street. It took the whole team and teamwork to get all 16 gentlemen and their belongings moved plus the support staff, nurses, clerk, direct care staff, and all the kitchen equipment. **Mark Burgess** and his staff did a GREAT JOB of moving the gentlemen belongings in a safe and timely manner and they were so courteous and helpful with the gentlemen of 6360. I would like to thank the 2-10 staff **Mbale Mugisha, Jake Villalobos, Bobby Bales** and **Enoch Ondigi** for coming in early and helping move and getting everything in place. And **Roy Morgan, Jake Villalobos** and **Bobby Bales** for helping pre move a lot of the objects in our storage room. A special thanks to 6-2 staff **Stacey Garrett, Melanie Littles** and **Jason Dockins** for helping move and packing up all the important paperwork. It truly took a village to get this task done and I want to THANK EVERYONE very much that was involved!

We would like to give shout out to **Jesse Pedroza** for working hard on getting our A/C fixed. We got up to 94 in here, but he stayed on top of it until he got it fixed.

Shout out to **Jill Antilley** for organizing and coordinating the Assistant Independent Ombudsman visit. This takes a lot of planning, time, and energy. Jill always makes sure every detail of their visit is covered and makes their visit to Abilene, each year, a great experience. We are thankful for Jill and the work she does for the people who live here.

Shout out to **John Burgess, RN** for 6500 Plum. He made sure to get all of the medications and paperwork to the AISD nurses for the young men for this school year. The students are divided between two locations, and he keeps on top of this and is always available when the AISD nurses have questions or issues, and replenishes medications when needed. I appreciate him taking care of the young men.

The Abilene Ombudsman Program Review is complete. No documents had to be requested, and that is a rare thing. And great props to the **Q's (Emily Jenkins** too of course). **Behavioral Health,** and **Jessica Garcia.** I have been to 4 facilities this past few months and we have always had to request things. Without requesting we had a smooth IRIS review and an easier week for the facility too. Again, thank you for all the prep lists and info gathered.

Abilene made the Friday Photos – Twice!

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Thanks to the Volunteer Services Council, Vocational Services staff have been busy purchasing supplies for the Greenhouse at a local garden shop. Phyllis Grubb hands one of the newly purchased plants to Rene Haidusek.

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The KEY Committee (Keep Engaging Yourself) poses for a group photo. The banner was made by the talented group at the activity center and is hung at the entry to campus.

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!