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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 January 8th, 2024

2024 HSCS Awards

Scan the QR Code (or click this [Link](#)) to submit your nomination for this year's awards!



Washing & Drying 101

One of the bigger complaints that Maintenance receives is that washing & drying clothes at the homes takes **forever**. This is especially true when drying.

Here's a few hints to help ...

Smaller loads are happier loads. Logically, it seems to that you will have fewer loads to do if you stuff the machine full. Actually, it's the opposite – smaller loads allow for the clothes to get cleaner, spin out the extra water and dry **much** faster.

Don't use deep water cycles. Extra water generally doesn't help and doesn't spin out correctly. Because of this, you have to run the dryer several times for the same load.

Drying can take much longer than washing but don't try to "double up" loads in the dryer. The clothes need plenty of room to tumble and dry – small loads really help.

Don't put big blankets, quilts, or comforters in the home washer. These (properly marked!) items should go to the Central Laundry to be washed & dried.



Tier III LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

2024 COURSE BEGINS FEB 7TH!

AbSSLC's Tier III Leadership Development is designed for staff seeking higher levels of campus leadership. We're honored to support our leaders in acquiring skills to expand their futures.

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED:

Now through Friday, **January 19th @ 5pm**

WHO SHOULD APPLY:

We are seeking leaders that lead a segment of our campus operation and contribute to the success of quality services. Supervision of teams is not a requirement for application. Leaders seeking higher levels of responsibility and campus involvement are encouraged to apply.

WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT:

Students selected for this annual held course will:

- attend five full day Wednesday sessions
- design and participate in a team campus enhancement project
- be supported by a mentor
- have pre-course assignments and continued team project participation following the course

WHEN:

February 7th, 21st & 28th, March 6th & 20th, 2024 with a team project update to be scheduled for May 2024. The Tier III course will be held full days.

HOW:

Interested leaders may apply via the MS Forms application (link below):

<https://forms.office.com/r/NJK4urm11>

Selected candidates will be notified by January 26th, 2024.

Contact Steven Roberts with any questions at:

steven.roberts@hhs.texas.gov

See Something | Say Something

Shout Outs!

Shout Out to **Terry Bloom** (Maintenance) who has graciously seen to the Behavior Services painting requests with a great attitude and hard work!

Abilene made the Friday Photos!

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The Incident Management Crew celebrates "rocking it all day, every day." Pictured are Ted Wagner (front), Charissa Hyde, Cheryl Galvan and Teressa Thompson.

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!

- 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!

Survey of Employee Engagement 2024

The ever-two-year Survey of Employee Engagement (SEE) starts January 8th – be watching for yours!

