SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

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PREVENTING SLIPS, TRIPS, AND FALLS

Slips, trips, and falls are often overlooked hazards in any workplace, yet they account for a significant number of injuries every year. Whether it's a slick floor, an uneven surface, or an obstacle in our path, these incidents can happen in an instant, affecting anyone from employees to visitors. Recognizing the importance of maintaining a safe environment is crucial in preventing such accidents. Let's take a proactive approach to identify and mitigate potential risks, ensuring that each step we take is a safe one.

Follow Safe Practices:

Faculty, Teachers & Staff

⇨ When working beyond your reach, use a stepladder or request help. Do not stand on a chair.

⇨ Wear slip-resistant footwear when wet conditions exist.

⇨ Obey caution signs during floor maintenance or construction projects.

⇨ Identify and remove or report tripping hazards.

⇨ Clean up spills immediately or report spills and request assistance from the custodial team.

Custodians and Maintenance Personnel

⇨ Use caution and wear slip resistant footwear when cleaning, stripping or waxing floors.

⇨ Ensure floor mats are positioned correctly and are in good condition.

⇨ Perform regular inspections of walking surfaces and submit work orders for repairs.

⇨ Inspect loose handrails, damaged stair treads, cracked surfaces and mark them with caution signs until repairs can be completed.

⇨ Use the proper ladder or step stool for the job. Do not stand on a chair or desk to extend your reach.

⇨ Clean up spills immediately and use caution signs to warn of wet surfaces.

⇨ Avoid trailing cables along the floor from equipment and tools.

Identify Hazardous Conditions

⇨ Check for loose, damaged, worn and uneven flooring. Submit the findings for repair.

⇨ Ensure lighting is sufficient and that slopes or steps are clearly visible.

⇨ Keep walkways and work areas clear of obstructions.

⇨ Ensure steps are marked with anti-slip nosing and not a gloss paint that is slippery when wet.

Please contact your ASCIP Risk Services Consultant or our Risk Services team at RM_Info@ascip.org for questions or to discuss further.

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