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EH&S Newsletter

Don't Be A Fool, Be Safe!

April 2024



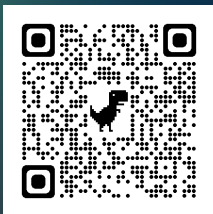
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Welcome to April, where we celebrate Earth Day! Earth Day, celebrated annually on April 22nd, originated to raise awareness about environmental issues and advocate for sustainable practices worldwide. This newsletter briefly overviews the Emergency and Standard Procedures requirements, the Hotwork Permitting Process, and how to prepare for the upcoming fume hood certifications, including best practices.

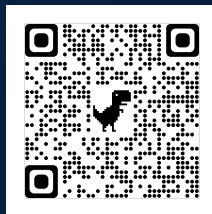
In this Months Newsletter

- Happy Earth Day! We celebrate the 54th Earth Day since its inception.
- EH&S will be tabling at the Sustainability Fair on April 4th. Join us from 10 AM – 2 PM, get some goodies, and learn more about sustainable practices!
- April's Safety Shoutout goes to **Maria Rojas**, a laboratory manager in the Biology Department! Check out her EH&S' Safety Shoutout feature in our homepage: ehs.fiu.edu. Consider nominating someone or a group for EH&S' Safety Shoutout by emailing ehs@fiu.edu!
- Emergency and Standard Procedures must be established before conducting operations in the space or as updates occur. All procedures must be reviewed annually and provided to all space occupants; some must be displayed. The required documents are Emergency Spill Procedures, Emergency Incident/Injury Procedures, Emergency Evacuation Procedures, Shutdown Procedures, and Standard Operating Procedures.
- Hot work is allowed at FIU with a hot work permit. Hot work is operations involving open flames or operations producing heat/sparks, not including electric soldering.
- The 2024 Annual Fume Hood Certifications are underway. The certification takes approximately 15 minutes. Ensure the fume hoods have limited items, materials, and equipment within. If there is something wrong with the fume hood, or if it fails the annual certification, Contact the Department of Facilities Management and place a work order.

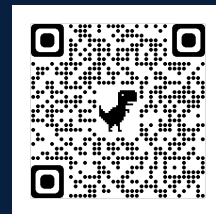
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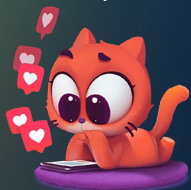
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