

RIVERVIEW

03/04/20

And the Winner is...

Engineers came together for Engineer's Week to network and have a little fun putting their engineering minds to work. They were asked to complete a "simple" gumdrop structure that could support the weight of a heavy book. After many failed attempts, we finally had a winning team: Jake Collins, Sherry Willingham, and LaCristal Atchison.

Thanks to all who participated!



SAFE START

MARCH 3 / FW10
EHS LEADER: BONNIE JENKINS

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR A SEVERE WEATHER EMERGENCY?

As we head into spring, it's important to be prepared for severe weather. Do you know how to respond to severe weather emergencies? Take Cover maps are posted throughout the building. Each map identifies take cover locations throughout the building. If you have questions, ask your supervisor.

TAKE COVER: HOW IT SOUNDS AND WHAT TO DO WHILE AT WORK

- **CONTINUOUS HIGH-PITCHED TONE.** Verbal commands accompany the tone to reinforce the message.
- **STOP!** Turn off equipment if applicable.
- **DO NOT DELAY!** This is an emergency.
- **WALK!** Dismount powered vehicles. Do not run or use elevators. Always use the stairs.
- **GET TO SAFETY!** Proceed to your safe area. Do not leave the building.
- **COLLECT!** Go to designated point. If you are at a different collection point than your designated point, alert your supervisor.
- **WAIT!** Go to the collection point and await further instructions.

Familiarize yourself with the take cover areas in the building. During the drills, all employees must quickly proceed to the nearest take cover area. All take cover areas are identified on the emergency diagram map. Remain in the take cover area until the all clear has sounded. This is not an evacuation drill, do not leave the building.

YEAR-TO-DATE METRICS

Near misses/ Concern reports:	11
Training completion:	11.7%
Recordable rate:	2.15
Days away from work rate:	0

KIT IT TOGETHER

A disaster supplies kit is simply a collection of basic items your household may need in the event of an emergency while at home. Assembling your kit NOW will save you time in case of emergency. A basic emergency supply kit could include the following:

- 1-gal. water/day for three days per person
- Non-perishable food and manual can opener
- Battery-powered radio and extra batteries
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to build a shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger

Information supplied by <https://www.ready.gov>

DOES YOUR FAMILY HAVE A SEVERE WEATHER PLAN?

When severe weather strikes, the difference between life and death can be summed up in as little as two words: **BE PREPARED.** Make a plan for what you and your family will do when severe weather strikes.

Decide how you will get in contact with each other, where you will go, and what you will do in case of an emergency. Create networks of neighbors, relatives, friends and co-workers who will assist each other in an emergency.

HAPPINESS AND WELLBEING START WITH OUR GEA FAMILY





As you may know reported cases of the Coronavirus continue to increase throughout the US. One of the single most important things you can do to decrease the spread of any virus is proper hand washing technique. Please wash your hands upon entry into the plant and between breaks and whenever needed. This is step one in doing your part to keep us all protected.

Household Plan of Action.

- Talk with all people included
- Plan ways to care for those who might be at greater risk
- Get to know your neighbors
- Identify aid organizations in your community
- Create an emergency contact list (include public health department)

Practice good personal health habits and plan for home-based actions

Practice everyday preventive actions now.

Remind everyone in your household of the importance of practicing everyday preventive actions that can help prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects daily (e.g., tables, countertops, light switches, doorknobs, and cabinet handles) using a regular household detergent and water.

If surfaces are dirty, they should be cleaned using a detergent and water prior to disinfection. For disinfection, a list of products with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-approved emerging viral pathogens claims, maintained by the American Chemistry Council Center for Biocide Chemistries (CBC), is available at [Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Fighting Products](#)pdf iconexternal icon. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for all cleaning and disinfection products.

- **Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Always wash your hands with soap and water if your hands are visibly dirty.**

Choose a room in your home that can be used to separate sick household members from those who are healthy. Identify a separate bathroom for the sick person to use, if possible. Plan to clean these rooms, as needed, when someone is sick. Learn how to care for someone with COVID-19 at home.



Do YOU have a GREAT idea for:

Team Name

T-shirt Design

Please send all submissions to Heather Hampton by 03/13/20. If your name or design is chosen, you will **win!**

This year's race will be held on Saturday, May 9. Not only is this a great team-building and fun event, it more importantly raises money for the Decatur Morgan Hospital Foundation. Last year, DPO's team made it to the final heats and placed 4th out of Mfg. companies.

Let's bring home the title this year!

If you are interested in being on the team and can commit to one practice, please sign up on the sign up sheet in Heather Hampton's office.

For any questions, please contact Heather at:

502-403-5758

or

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International Women's Day (March 8) is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating women's equality.



Daylight Saving Time Starts
Sunday, March 8, 2020, 3:00:00
am local daylight time



STARWARS T-SHIRTS

IF you are a GEA employee and did NOT get a StarWars T-shirt, we will be set up in the cafeteria during your lunch time on the following times:

1st shift - Thursday

2nd shift - Thursday

3rd shift - Thursday night/Friday morning

1st come/1st served