## **Safety Beaver Buzz**



#### **NEW@EHS**

**EH&S** has added several new training modules to the **Bridge LMS**, including:

- Field Research Safety
- Universal Waste Management
- Wildfire Smoke Safety

#### **Website Update:**

- <u>Heat Illness Prevention</u> Program
- Wildfire Smoke Safety-AQI

University Health & Safety Policy Update Approved in July 2021

EH&S will now include NFPA 704 placards on all Lab Caution Signs based on a laboratory's chemical inventory. Click here for more information.



### **Safety & Human Nature**

Human Tendencies	Safety Implications
Error-prone/ Complacent/ Desensitized (temptation to hide or underreport)	Create realistic goals, build in redundancies and reminders, see with fresh eyes/apply walkthroughs
Creatures of habit	Establish safe routines
Cognitive and physical misers	Make it easy; simplify
Align behavior with rewards	Reward safe behavior
Take calculated risks; conduct a cost/benefit analysis	Receive training on hazards and probability
Enjoy stories	Make lessons-learned stories



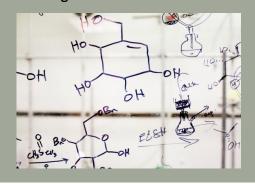
## Leaving So Soon? Lab Closeout Procedures

Planning to graduate or otherwise finish up research at OSU? There are some important procedures to follow before leaving your lab space for good.

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# Graduate Students in Chemistry Start a Safety Team

Student-led safety teams are changing the safety culture in many universities across the USA. OSU's Chemistry Department graduate students have stepped up to this challenge.



## Unattended Fan Use

Household box fans left continuously running and unattended can cause disruptive and costly fires.



To prevent fires like this from occurring on campus, limit the use of fans to personal cooling only. Unplug your personal cooling, heating or other electronic equipment when you are not present.

If a fan is required for continuous/unattended cooling, it must include substantial metal construction and be designed for continuous/unattended cooling, be of commercial grade, and UL listed for other than household use.

