

# TOOLBOX TALK for Safety Week, July 22nd, 2024.

## **Safety Committee**

If you're interested in being on the Safety Committee, please let your foreman know or talk to Toby or David. Safety Committee meets on the second Tuesday of every month to review incidents and to help improve policies and procedures.

## **Summer Picnic**

Katie has sent out an email about the company picnic on August 24<sup>th</sup> at Oaks Park. Please respond quickly to tell her if you're coming and how many people you plan to bring. It's important to be clear about how many ride bracelets you need, because if you measure 48" or taller, and are wearing an under 48" bracelet, you'll be turned away from the ride. So, let us know how many are coming to the picnic and how many 48" or taller or 48" or shorter bracelets you'll need.

## **Personal Responsibility for Safety**

Most of us remember when we started being responsible for ourselves. Maybe it was at school or home, or maybe we stepped up when we got our first car. When we took responsibility, we decided it wasn't up to someone else, it was up to us.

Personal responsibility for safety is like that. It happens the moment we decide that our safety and the safety of those around us is not something we wait for someone else control, it's something we're going to control for ourselves.

We've all heard the line "See something, say something.", but full personal responsibility is more like "See something, **do** something." Our actions always speak louder than words, so when we see something wrong, it's the right time to take responsibility through positive action.

We pick up a trip hazard, we get a light if our workspace is too dark, we walk our work area and mitigate hazards, we fix or replace tools that aren't working correctly, we choose the right PPE for the task and wear it correctly without waiting to be called out.

Being safe is the result of thousands of choices coupled with positive actions. We're far more likely to stay safe if we understand that the choices we make, and our positive actions are the foundation of our safety.

## **What does personal responsibility for safety look like for you?**

## **When is the right time to act?**

