



Safety Day Sentinel

News from the Progressive Agriculture Foundation

Our Mission:

Provide education, training and resources to make farm, ranch and rural life safer and healthier for children and their communities.

Our Vision:

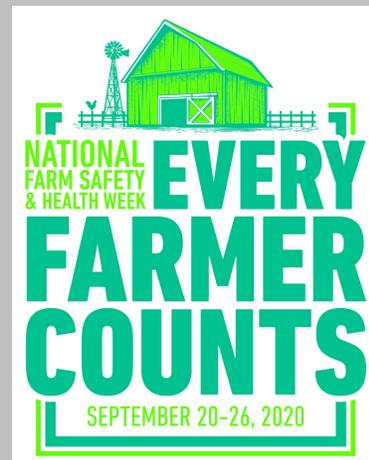
No child would become ill, injured or die from farm, ranch and rural activities.

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Celebrating National Farm Safety & Health Week September 20-26, 2020

Progressive Agriculture Safety Days is gearing up to celebrate National Farm Safety and Health Week, September 20-26, 2020, with opportunities for the whole family. This year, we will be holding several exciting events and hoping YOU will join in the fun! All events are FREE and open to children, parents, grandparents, teachers, etc. We hope these will begin many important conversations around safety and health topics around the farm, ranch and in the home. Click on the links below to register via Zoom or to join in the conversation in our Facebook Events.



Monday, September 21 at 7:00 p.m. CDT: **Story Hour featuring Jacob and the Tractor**

- Click [here](#) to register for the event via Zoom
- Click [here](#) to access the Facebook Event for more information

Tuesday, September 22 at 7:00 p.m. CDT: **Story Hour featuring When I Feel Sad**

- Click [here](#) to register for the event via Zoom
- Click [here](#) to access the Facebook event for more information

Wednesday, September 23 (9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. CDT): **Virtual Progressive Agriculture Safety Day**

- Click [here](#) to register for the event via Zoom
- Click [here](#) to access the Facebook Event for more information

Wednesday, September 23 (12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. CDT): **Virtual Progressive Agriculture Safety Day**

- Click [here](#) to register for the event via Zoom
- Click [here](#) to access the Facebook Event for more information

Thursday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. CDT: **Story Hour featuring Josh the Baby Otter**

- Click [here](#) to register for the event via Zoom
- Click [here](#) to access the Facebook Event for more information

Friday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. CDT: **Story Hour featuring Unbeatable Betty**

- Click [here](#) to register for the event via Zoom
- Click [here](#) to access the Facebook Event for more information

Please help us get the word out about these opportunities. We will be giving away some special prizes to a few lucky participants. Also, tune in and catch our LIVE interviews on RFD-TV on September 21st at 11:00 a.m. CDT and 23rd at 11:30 a.m. CDT. To access a full schedule of events, click [here](#).

Ready, Set...Let's Train! The 2021 Coordinator Training season is all set to kick-off virtually this fall

For 2021, Progressive Agriculture Safety Day Coordinator Trainings are moving entirely online for both new and experienced coordinators. **All training will be offered in the new PAF Training Center.**



New coordinators, in their first or second year, will take advantage of an at your own pace training focusing on building their Safety Day. During the training, coordinators will complete the Safety Day Builder Workbook, which helps them design and plan their Safety Day. Both New and Experienced Coordinators will come together and network via a LIVE 2-hour session in the PAF Training Center, where the foundation will highlight what is new and exciting for the upcoming year. To accommodate everyone's busy and diverse schedules, we are offering a variety of morning, afternoon, evening, and even weekend sessions. Here is our schedule:

- ***Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Friday, October 23, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Thursday, November 5, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Friday, November 20, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Thursday, December 10, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Thursday, January 7, 2021 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Wed., January 20, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Central***
- ***Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Central***
- ***Thursday, January 28, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Central***

Each session is limited to 20 participants; however, as sessions fill and we see a need for additional opportunities to be added, we will do so in February. Safety Day coordinators will be receiving invitations with registration details via e-mail in the upcoming weeks; however, any guests wanting to join are also welcome. Guests should reach out to Sarah Pilgreen, PAF Program Support Coordinator, at spilgreen@progressiveag.org or 888-257-3529 Ext. 700.

Did you put off applying for a 2021 Safety Day due to travel, time, or uncertainty? No problem! We are still accepting applications! [Click here](#) to apply TODAY or contact Sarah Pilgreen.

Resuming In-Person Progressive Agriculture Safety Days

During the late-spring, amid many cancellations due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Progressive Agriculture Foundation (PAF) formed a special committee to discuss and review guidelines, as well as identify best practices for the program moving forward. This committee, comprised and lead by several PAF Board Members, meets regularly to make decisions based on the best interests of the program while ensuring:

- 1. The safety and health of our staff, volunteers, and Safety Day participants remain our top priority.**
- 2. We never place someone in an uncomfortable situation where they feel unsafe working, volunteering, or participating in a Safety Day.**
- 3. Our volunteers and participants are not placed in a harmful situation during or after a Safety Day.**

The current decision has been to suspend all in-person events, for staff and volunteers, until further notice. However, many resources have been developed on-line including a Virtual Progressive Agriculture Safety Day and [Daily Learning Drop Series](#) to assist coordinators still reaching children with important safety and health messages. We appreciate your understanding as we continue to navigate through 2020.



Shop with a Purpose using Amazon!

As we embark on the fall season, Amazon has all your must-haves. In addition to convenience, shopping through AmazonSmile allows you to give back to the Progressive Agriculture Safety Day program every time you make a purchase.

As a recognized charitable organization through AmazonSmile, the Progressive Agriculture

Foundation can benefit from the same Amazon you know and love with the same products, same prices, & same service. Each time you make a purchase using AmazonSmile and select the Progressive Agriculture Foundation as the charity of choice. PAF benefits at no additional cost to you. To get started:

1. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/>
2. Sign-in or create an account (AmazonSmile works with Amazon Prime memberships).
3. Search & select **"Progressive Agriculture Foundation,"** as your charitable organization.
4. Start your shopping!
5. Don't forget to tell a friend!

Safety Tip – Role Model Safe Behavior during Fall Harvest

A farm is a wonderful place to grow up. However, as a busy workplace with active, moving machinery and equipment, it can be a dangerous place for young children. During fall harvest and other hectic times of the year, it is important to keep a safety focus and consider the curiosity of a child.

Sadly, every three days a child dies and every day 33 children are injured due to agricultural-related incidents. Therefore, it is vital to role model safe behavior. Check out

our latest Safety and Health for Rural Families blog post, [Every Farmer Counts!](#)
[Continuing to protect present and future generations of farmers and rural families through virtual messages.](#)



**For more safety tips, be sure to stay connected
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SUBSCRIBE to our [Safety and Health for Rural Families WordPress Blog](#)



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