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Safety video contest deadline approaching

Promote workplace safety and win cash

(Salem) – There is still time for aspiring student directors to enter their video, promoting young worker safety, in a statewide contest and win the top prize of \$500. The contest, which requires creating a 45-second public service announcement, has a Feb. 15, 2010, deadline. The top three entries will take home cash prizes ranging from \$300 to \$500 and will earn a matching amount for their school.

The contest's sponsors are the Oregon Young Employee Safety Coalition (O[Yes]!), Oregon OSHA, SAIF Corporation, American Society of Safety Engineers, and DHS-Public Health Division's Occupational Public Health Program.

The contest is open to all high school students and is designed to increase awareness about safety on the job for young people. The videos must be created with the theme "Save a Friend. Work Safe" in mind. Specific video guidelines, contest rules, and tips for entries are outlined at www.orosha.org/psacontest/.

Bilingual or multilingual PSAs are welcomed, especially in languages commonly spoken in Oregon (such as Spanish and Russian).

Contest winners will be unveiled at an April screening event and entries will be posted to YouTube for voting next month.

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