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Everything You Need to Know About Risk... You Learned in Kindergarten is discussed in a recent article by Melanie Lockwood Herman from the Nonprofit Risk Management Center ([NRMCC](#)). Herman writes: "As I prepare for my daughter's eighth grade graduation this week, I feel nostalgic for the days when she began her academic career as an energetic tow-headed little Kindergartener. I remember her coming home wide-eyed and excited to tell me all of the things she was learning at school. There were as many 'life lessons' learned as there were academic lessons. If you think about it, many of the lessons we learn in our first year of school directly relate to risk." Read more [HERE](#).

Free smart phone app provides info on heat and safety measures. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) newest addition to its heat illness prevention materials is the [OSHA Heat Safety Tool smart phone app](#), with vital safety information to help keep outdoor workers safe from the heat. The app allows workers and supervisors to calculate the heat index for their worksite. Based on the heat index, the app displays a risk level to outdoor workers. With a simple "click," users can get reminders about the protective measures that should be taken at that risk level to protect workers from heat-related illness. For more information about safety while working in the heat, see OSHA's [Heat Illness Prevention page](#), including new [online guidance](#) about using the heat index to protect workers.

SwimSafeID neck bands offer a simple and highly visible way for Lifeguards to know who belongs in the deep end at a glance. Based on tested swimming competence, swimmers wear the allocated color breakaway bands around the neck. This allows for easy spotting of any swimmer's skill level while in the pool. Samples are available upon request. [Learn more here](#).

2012 Fire Season Outlook calls for increase in wildfire activity in parts of Western US - The [National Interagency Fire Center](#) forecasts increased fire risk this summer for several western states. Above normal significant fire potential is expected across western New Mexico, southeastern Arizona, most of Nevada and Utah. The Rocky Mountain area is also facing above-normal chances of significant wildfires. [Wild Fire Season Preparations](#) has been added to the [Online Resource Library](#) for more information.

Preventing Bullying at Camp is the job of every staff member. Staff needs to remember to intervene before things might escalate and should discuss camper rules and role model the behavior in these rules. Let campers know that bullying is unacceptable and won't be tolerated. Bullying usually occurs in places when counselors are not around, so it is important to make appropriate behavior a regular topic of discussion with your campers. More information can be found in the [Bullying Prevention Tip Sheet for Camp Staff](#) from the [American Camp Association](#).

Having fun at the beach takes some preparation. When organizations lead groups to beaches and the ocean environment it is particularly important to have good aquatic safety procedures in place. According to the US Lifesaving Association (USLA), drowning is the third leading cause of accidental death in the US and the second leading cause of accidental death for people ages 5 to 44 years. Drowning is the leading cause of injury death for persons under 15 years of age in California, Florida, and Hawaii. Safe-Wise has prepared "[Ocean Swimming Safety](#)" to assist your organization as it prepares for fun at the beach. Other aquatic safety materials are also available in the [Online Resource Library](#).

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