

# SAFETY NEWS

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## Feature Project

### Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD Security Upgrades at Eight Campuses

*Saginaw, Texas*

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## Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention

**By: Adam Shurtleff**

Daylight Savings Time ended on Sunday, November 4. As you're setting your clocks back one hour, remember to check the batteries in your carbon monoxide (CO) detector. If you don't have a battery-powered or battery back-up CO alarm, now is a great time to buy one. More than 400 people die each year in the United States from unintentional, non-fire related CO poisoning.

CO is found in fumes produced by furnaces, vehicles, generators, stoves, lanterns, gas ranges, or burning charcoal or wood. CO from these sources can build up in enclosed or partially enclosed spaces. People and animals in these spaces can be poisoned and can die from breathing CO.

When power outages occur during emergencies, such as hurricanes or severe storms, the use of alternative sources of power for heating, cooling, or cooking can cause CO to build up in a home, garage, or camper and to poison the people and animals inside.

### You Can Prevent Carbon Monoxide Exposure

#### DO:

- Have your heating system, water heater and any other gas, oil, or coal burning appliances serviced by a qualified technician every year.

- Install a battery-operated or battery back-up CO detector in your home and check or replace the battery when you change the time on your clocks each spring and fall.
- Leave your home immediately and call 911 if your CO detector ever sounds. Seek prompt medical attention if you suspect CO poisoning and are feeling dizzy, light-headed, or nauseated.

### DON'T:

- Run a car or truck inside a garage attached to your house, even if you leave the door open.
- Burn anything in a stove or fireplace that isn't vented.
- Heat your house with a gas oven.
- Use a generator, charcoal grill, camp stove, or other gasoline or charcoal-burning device inside your home, basement, or garage or outside less than 20 feet from a window, door, or vent.

**CO poisoning is entirely preventable.** You can protect yourself and your family by acting wisely in case of a power outage and learning the symptoms of CO poisoning.

## Safety Glasses

OSHA requires employers to ensure the safety of all employees in the work environment. Eye and face protection must be provided whenever necessary to protect against chemical, environmental, and radiological hazards or mechanical irritants.

Ensuring worker safety includes conducting a workplace hazard assessment and providing adequate training for all workers who require eye and face protection. When employees are trained to work safely, through the following requirements, they should be able to anticipate and avoid injury from job related hazards.

Safety glasses have been a PPE that we all use in the field from time to time. BTC will now require all employees on the jobsite to wear safety glasses at all times. This requirement will take effect in 2019 and continue on for the foreseeable future. We will provide everyone with a pair of indoor/outdoor safety glasses that meet the ANSI Z87.1. If you have a pair of safety glasses you would like to use instead of the ones provided to you then you will be allowed to use them as long as they meet OSHA requirements.

This requirement will be enforced at all jobsites and for all trades that work on our jobsite. We will not provide safety glasses to the subcontractors, as they will be required to provide their own.

Please remember that safety glasses are not the only means of eye and face protection that are acceptable while performing all tasks. Here is a list of hazards that will require more than just safety glasses alone:

- Flying Hazards
- Splash Hazards
- Extreme Heat
- Arc Hazards
- High Velocity impact hazards

Once again—safety glasses will be required on all jobsites starting in 2019. If you have any questions on this please contact Adam Shurtleff.

**SAFETY FIRST**



**HARD HATS  
& SAFETY  
GLASSES  
REQUIRED**

## Company Rebrand

As a reminder—we are officially changing the company name from Buford-Thompson Company to BTC. Rebrand efforts also include a new logo design.



The official change will go into effect on **MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018.** (The date has changed since the initial email message you received a few weeks ago.)

- New Website + Email Domain  
www.BTCbuilds.com  
jdoe@BTCbuilds.com
- New Business Cards  
Delivered to you on/before 12/10
- New Project Signs  
The new design has been implemented at the current Azle ISD and S&S CISD projects. If you're in need of a project sign in the future please correspond with Jenny Murphy for the updated design.
- New Letterhead + Forms  
As of 12/10 **ALL** internal and external documents should reflect 'BTC' and the new logo. If you come across any documents showing the previous logo or Buford-Thompson, please contact Jenny Murphy or Aaron Hall to assist with updating.

We're excited to roll out our new look for 2019 and begin our 40th year in business!