

Live Safe! Work Smart!

Health and safety e-news for Ontario teachers

? YOU ASKED US

Q #1: Can we “reuse” PINS and passwords?

A: No. Once you’ve assigned a PIN and password to a student, it’s theirs for life.

Q #2: Are there separate PINS and passwords for each Passport to Safety test?

A: Yes. Each test type carries its own PIN and password.

Q #3: How many tests are there presently?

A: There are three tests available for Ontario teachers:

1. Passport to Safety **Challenge for Teens** (the original!)
2. Passport to Safety **101** (a picture oriented test, used for those that struggle with literacy and comprehension, or possibly have English as a Second Language)
3. Passport to Safety **Advanced Leaders Challenge**.

Did you know... that elementary teachers can also sign up for Passport to Safety 101 for their Grade 7/8 students?

Spread the Word!!

TISH’S TIPS

ASSIGN YOUR STUDENTS EITHER THE TEEN CHALLENGE TEST OR THE PASSPORT TO SAFETY 101 TEST EARLY IN THE SEMESTER, AND BEFORE THE END OF SCHOOL, HAVE THEM COMPLETE A HIGHER LEVEL TEST.

Passport to Safety

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Thanks to the efforts of you and your fellow teachers, students across Ontario are participating in Co-op programs and starting part or full-time jobs with a greater understanding of safety basics and their safety rights in the workplace. And one of the resources that you’re using to deliver this information is Passport to Safety. This is an on-line tool that provides the minimum standard in safety education for students, and provides them with a certificate that tells prospective employers they have a basic knowledge of healthy and safe practices.

Without the generosity of the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB), Passport to Safety would not be offered to Ontario teachers as a FREE resource!



Don’t forget to keep your PINS and Passwords in a safe place!

THE NUMBERS TELL THE STORY (2011):

38,381

The number of students who have successfully completed the Passport to Safety test. Kudos to all you teachers who ordered accounts and distributed PIN numbers and passwords to your students. You **ARE** making a difference!

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Per cent decrease in the number of workplace injuries for teenagers since 2000. The number of injuries is falling but we still have a long way to go.

76,467

The number of Passport to Safety tests/memberships that have been ordered but not yet assigned to students. **What are you waiting for?** Please continue to use any remaining ones with your students. By continuing to use the program, you’re helping us to ensure we are able to offer this **FREE** access to Ontario students.

905-702-9903

The number to call to order new Passport to Safety tests/memberships or to get further information about the program (or e-mail info@passporttosafety.com)

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The average number of young workers who are injured—or killed—each day in Ontario. That’s way too many young people being hurt. So hand out those PINS and have students “Take the Test”. There’s no such thing as too much safety!

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Ontario’s rank in reducing workplace injuries for young workers in Canada.

Priceless!

The importance of safety in the workplace and **YOUR ROLE**—a vital one—in helping Ontario students protect themselves



BRIGHT IDEA

Don’t forget! Get the students to bring in their certificates after completing the test! It’s the “Body of Evidence” that proves they have the minimum standard of safety knowledge!! Post them on a bulletin board in the main hallway of your school under the heading, “**KNOW** Safety, **NO** Accidents!”

We welcome your questions, comments and suggestions for future newsletters at info@livesafeworksmart.net

Links

www.passporttosafety.com/

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