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ABC Calendar Preview

Date	Event	Location
July 4	Independence Day - Offices CLOSED	
July 8	Construction Site Safety Technician Course	Classroom 5
July 9	ABC Suppliers' Council Meeting, 3:00 pm	ABC Conference Room
July 11	ABC State Board Meeting	Austin, TX
July 12	ABC Webinar - Empowering Employees to Manage Their Personal Data	ABC Webinar
July 18	MSTI Board Meeting, 2:30 pm	ABC Board Room
July 19	ABC Webinar - Addressing Common Headaches Around Managing RFIs	ABC Webinar
July 23	BSC Board/Owners' Advisory Meeting & Luncheon, 11:00 am	ABC Board Room
July 24-25th	MSTI ICTP Training for Instructors & Performance Evaluators	Classroom 3

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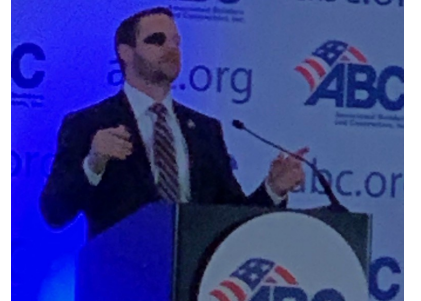
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ABC Government Affairs

ABC Board Members Attend 2019 Legislative Week



ABC Texas Gulf Coast Chair Mark Monical, Director Buck Blevins and Terry McAlister, President & CEO were on Capitol Hill last week as ABC members from across the nation gathered in Washington, D.C. for ABCs 2019 Legislative Week. [>>READ MORE](#)



Texas Levels the Playing Field for Skilled Workers

The Associated Builders and Contractors is celebrating today after Texas Gov. Greg Abbott (R) signed the Neutrality in State Government Contracting bill (HB 985) into law. [>>READ MORE](#)



ABC actively works with all levels of government to represent member interests and the merit shop construction industry. Fortune magazine has recognized ABC's efforts in Washington, D.C., by naming the association one of the "most influential" organizations in the United States. [What We're Doing](#)

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COMPANIES AND THEIR EMPLOYEES CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE GREAT PROGRAMS!

September 2018

ABC members can take advantage of Business Discounts with ABC's Business Partners. Employees of member companies can also take advantage of discounts for personal use under the Employee Discounts section.

ABC Partners offer discounts on company cell phones, uniforms, fuel, company vehicles and more items that contractors regularly use.

ABC's Member Discount Program delivered more than \$34 million in member savings in 2018.

For complete details on ABCs discount program, [click here](#) and start saving today!

"The Nissan program has been great. I have nearly paid my ABC dues with the discounts I received from Nissan. Our chapter has even recruited a new member just based on this program. Bottom line - it is easy to use and it really saves money."

-Jennifer Jezek, President & CEO
York Electronic Systems Inc.
2017 Chair, ABC of Oklahoma

ABC Workforce Development / MSTI Craft Training

ABC Texas Gulf Coast Kicks Off "Workforce Wednesdays"



The ABC Workforce Development Committee met for the first time in June to connect Contractor and Owner Members with local High School CTE leadership in an effort to provide resources for local High School Craft Training programs.

The committee, coining the phrase "Workforce Wednesdays", meets bi-monthly on the first Wednesday of the month with the mission of building the people who build America. This is accomplished through many initiatives and events, including the high school CTE adoption program mentioned here. ABC members are encouraged to join this effort.

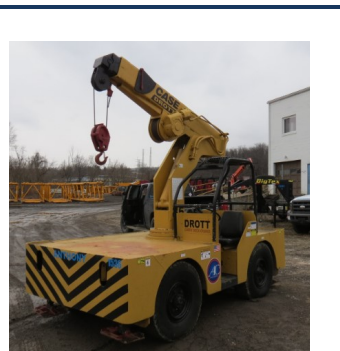
Other initiatives the committee supports include the bi-annual Construction Exhibition, Construction Careers Signing Day, Career Fair for High School Juniors, and Veteran's Job Fair. For more information about joining this committee, please [contact us!](#)

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Visit veterans.byf.org for more information about updated task alignments, online core curriculum and how to get involved as a **Military Friendly Employer**.

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