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Dear Teacher:

As you are aware, the safety course requirements for Off Campus Courses have changed. CTR 1210 has been replaced. (The new *Off-Campus Education Handbook* in its entirety can be found at <http://education.alberta.ca/media/616821/offcampus.pdf> - a few highlights as they relate to Green Certificate are below.)

- ❖ For the 2011/2012 school year:
 - Students who have already taken CTR1210 will be 'grandfathered'. (See: http://education.alberta.ca/media/4598916/cts_prereq.pdf for details)
 - Students who have not take CTR1210 will need to take AGR3000
 - Students who have already taken CTR1210 should be encouraged to take AGR3000 at some point, as it is a more complete and robust safety course
- ❖ CTR1010 will only be grandfathered for students continuing in 'Work Experience'. (see number 3, third bullet, of the link above)
- ❖ AGR3000 is a PRE-REQUISITE. Students must have a mark for AGR3000 before marks for Green Certificate courses can be entered.
- ❖ HCS3000 and HCS3010 are pre-requisites for other off-campus programs – **NOT** Green Certificate (again see the *Off-Campus Education Handbook*)

Like most courses, you can use a variety of resources to meet the learning objectives of AGR3000.

- ❖ Alberta Education has several resources available through their website's on-line tools and resources. AB Education is also working on some curriculum for their distance learning programs, however, to my knowledge, they are not yet available.
- ❖ Alberta Agriculture has a Farm Safety website with a number of resources and links that may be useful. The Farm Safety team also produces a newsletter three times per year that you can receive, free of charge, by providing your email address to Kenda Lubeck (kenda.lubeck@gov.ab.ca). Just let her know that you wish to subscribe to the *SafeFarm Newsletter*.
- ❖ In the spring you, or your school, should have received a copy of a DVD from the Job
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Safety Skills Society. The DVD includes Instructor Resource Material for HCS3000, HCS3010, and AGR3000. The course is available for students, at no-cost, through ADLC. You may also download the resources directly from the JSSS website, for no cost. Click on the 'Teacher' tab and then 'Instructor Resources'.

(<http://jobsafetyskills.com/instresourceman.html>)

- ❖ If you find another great resource, and would like to share its location, please contact your regional coordinator with the details. They will pass it on.

Finally, in accordance with the *Off-Campus Education Handbook*, a site visit must occur before training begins. The Green Certificate Regional Coordinator can provide you with an additional farm site check list if you would like one to help simplify your visit.

If you have other questions in regards to AGR3000, please contact your school administrator or Lana Rissling, Program Standards Team Leader – Off Campus/Careers/Dual Credit. She can be reached at lane.rissling@gov.ab.ca or 780-422-4124.

Good luck with the 2011/2012 school year!
We're looking forward to another great year,

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- ❖ Contact info updated August 2016.