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SOILBIOTICS COMPANY E-NEWSLETTER

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Summer Shutdown

SoilBiotics liquid products manufacturing line will be taking a week off for annual summer shutdown the week of July 7-14. Please make sure to contact your sales representative or the office in advance so we may ensure that your needs are met and product shipped by Thursday, July 6th.

Keep Them Safe

Did you know? Every three days a child dies from an agricultural-related accident and 33 children are injured, according to the 2017 Childhood Agricultural Injuries Fact Sheet. Please keep your children safe when they are working with you this season.

The well-known safety program called Farm Safety for Just Kids (FS4JK) has melded its programs and activities with the Progressive Agriculture Foundation (<https://www.progressiveag.org/>). We reprint here some of their summer warnings for farm kids. Please share these with your children and youngsters visiting your farm.

- **Grain bins aren't play areas**

Don't play on or around grain. Seek help if someone is caught in grain.

- **Take care around chemicals**

Don't drink and eat anything if you don't know what it is. Follow warnings on chemical containers.

- **No seat, no rider**

Unless the vehicle was made to safely hold more than one person, don't ask to ride, and don't encourage others to ride.

- **Protect yourself**

Wear sunscreen and hats when in the sun. Wear dust masks when around dust.

- **Take care around animals**

Stay outside the animal fence. Be alert to animal behavior.

- **Follow mowing safety rules**

Mow up and down slopes with riding mowers and across when using a push mower. Never leave a running mower unattended. No extra riders on lawn mowers.

- **Be aware of machinery dangers**

Walk around moving machine parts, and don't remove shields.

- **Ride safely**

Wear a seat belt when in vehicles. Don't ride in the back of pickups. Obey traffic laws when driving. Be alert to slow moving vehicles and other dangers.

- **Be careful on ATVs**

Wear protective equipment when on recreational vehicles. Ride vehicles that are appropriate for your size and ability and most importantly, drive them sensibly.

Focus on Summer Inputs

We're just now entering the summer, when a lot of the yield potential for crops is either realized or is negatively affected by the weather, plus insect and disease pressures. SoilBiotics has a complete line-up of products that can help your plants through heat and drought stress, and help make applied insecticides and fungicides more effective against pests. Talk to your SoilBiotics representative today!

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