Good Housekeeping benefits everyone! The orderly arrangement of work areas is vital to the safety of all workers, regardless of whether you work in Facilities, one of our Industrial labs, Classroom or Offices. At Kirtland, maintaining a safe and clean workplace is important for everyone and reduces the chance that employees will get hurt on the job.

**Here's the facts!**
- Approximately 6,000 persons are killed on the job annually in the United States.
- An estimated 19,500 accidents happen at home.
- 17% of on-the-job deaths are caused by falls, many of which result from poor housekeeping practices.

**MIOSHA contains specific requirements for housekeeping in the workplace:**
- Stacking, piling or placing debris in a way that does not create a hazard
- Keeping aisles & exits clean and orderly
- Keeping storage areas free from unsafe accumulations of materials

Accidents often result from tripping over loose articles; wet spots on the floor, open desk and file cabinet drawers, or trash and other articles left lying about.

**Spring Cleanup!**
Take time this month to look around your area:
- Are there items you no longer use?
- Are all exits visible and unobstructed?
- Are Work stations clear of clutter and other hazards?
- Are boxes or objects stacked unsafely?

**Call #350 for:**
- Help relocating boxes and/or equipment
- A trash receptacle, Blue Recycling Container, Red for Shred, Pop can bin, etc.
- If you encounter broken glass, sharp objects, or need something removed.

It’s much easier to do our job when work areas are kept neat & orderly. Work Safely! Protect yourself and your co-worker!

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**Campus & Public Safety**
By: Ken Forst, **Emergency Preparedness Committee**

'Believe it or not spring is on the way! With all the good things of spring comes the threat of severe weather. Awareness of the weather around you and awareness of protected places to go is key to your survival in these situations. Here at Kirtland we have several ways to keep you informed of weather issues:

- RAVE notification
- Email Alert
- Siren & Speaker Systems

You can subscribe to a weather app on your smart phone and receive alerts. The Federal Emergency Alert System will notify phones (newer with alert function) in a severe weather area of impending issues impacting your area. Do note that your GPS feature must be enabled on your phone to get these alerts.

Finally, look around you now for a safe place to go when these alerts are given.

Here at Kirtland signs have been posted to areas of best cover, so walk around and get to know these areas! **Stay safe and enjoy spring!**