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South Suburban College to Host Forklift Operator Training Courses at Oak Forest Center

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL– South Suburban College’s (SSC) Department of Continuing, Corporate, and Community Education (C3) is offering Forklift Operator Training in March and April 2023 at the Oak Forest Center. This certification course covers the basic forklift driving skills needed for a Forklift Operator Certification.

Each course costs \$179.00 per person or is FREE for qualified applicants through Workforce Equity Initiative (WEI). The sessions will be held as follows:

- Saturday, March 18: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Saturday, April 1: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Saturday, April 15: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Wed – Thur, April 19 & 20: 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

The Forklift Operator Certification from the National Safety Council is available through these sessions at SSC for individuals looking for new career skills or for employers who are ensuring a safe and compliant workplace. Illinois requires all forklift operators to obtain a license to avoid OSHA sanctions and possible penalties. Forklift driving is no simple matter; it causes more than 100 deaths yearly. A Certification Card from the National Safety Council will be issued to the student upon completing the program. The course will enforce social distancing and the use of PPEs.

WEI Sponsored Program: WEI is free for qualified applicants. The project is funded through ICCB to support eligible participants through completing short-term educational opportunities leading to employment. Benefits of the grant include free tuition and technology assistance, tutoring, academic and career advising, and more. Email workforceequity@ssc.edu or visit ssc.edu/wei for more information.

For more information, please contact Gervaise Edwards at (708) 596-2000, ext. 5723 or email gedwards@ssc.edu. SSC’s Oak Forest Center is located at 16333 S. Kilbourn, Oak Forest, Illinois, with convenient access from I-57, I-80, and I-294.

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