



Welcome to the SEIC Newsletter! We have created this monthly newsletter to supply updates, information, and important news to increase communication and connectivity between the ACA Safety Education and Instruction Council, Discipline Committees, the ACA Staff, and certified instructors and trainers.



On behalf of the ACA Board of Directors, the SEIC Executive Committee, and SEI Department Staff, we want to say a very big and heart-felt “Thank you!” to all nominees for nominating yourself to serve within a SEIC Discipline Committee or International/At-Large role for the 2024-2025 term. ACA could truly not achieve its mission and goals without your immense talent, expertise, and contribution – and we want to express our gratitude for your willingness to serve!

This was a record year for participation in this nomination and election process! Over 125 nominations were submitted, and over 600 instructors and trainers submitted their votes as part of the election! The At-Large, International Rep, Coastal Kayak, River Kayak, Rafting, Safety & Rescue, and Universal Paddling Committees had contestation, which is more than ever before!

Most committees have elected their officer positions (Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary); in the coming few weeks they will also appoint their affiliate members.

[Election Results](#)



After the ACA SEIC Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting last month, several revisions and additions have been approved for ACA's River Kayaking and Coastal Kayaking Curriculum.

Learn all about the River Kayaking curriculum updates at an upcoming zoom meeting to be hosted by the ACA River Kayaking Committee.

Tuesday, January 30 at 7:00 PM EST. Zoom link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88253400767?pwd=d6Pjcshj7IXUBxve6jTgPD112j7liP.1>

You can also access from this Facebook Event: <https://fb.me/e/vRWIT3k2R>

The Coastal Kayak Committee is also excited to announce an update of their curriculum for 2024 and beyond! Following three years of development by the committee, the SEIC and ACA Board have approved changes to the curriculum.

[Check out the ACA website](#) for all the details about the updated skills assessment documents for Level 2 - 4, a brand new Level 5 skills assessment, assessor's guide resources, revised instructor criteria, and more!



Did you know?! Instructor Updates can be accomplished by several different methods:

- Participate in an actual Instructor Update course at your highest certification level.
- Assist with an IDW or ICE at your highest level of certification (with the pre-approval of the IT) and complete a review of ACA Policies & Procedures with the IT.

- Co-teach a skills course at your highest level of certification under the supervision of an IT in that discipline and complete a review of ACA Policies & Procedures with the IT.

If browsing the [ACA Course Calendar](#) hasn't yet matched with your schedule, [reach out to an IT or ITE directly](#) to ask about their availability to help you with one of the update options described above!

You may complete your instructor update at any time during your certification cycle - you do not (and should not) wait until your final year of certification!



We've developed new resources and tools for ACA Instructors and Trainers!

- [Instructor & Trainer Resources YouTube Playlist](#)
- [Course Management System \(CMS\) Log In & Tools](#)
- [Free Online Paddling Safety Course for Students](#) - NEW Content Coming Soon!
- [About the ACA Presentation](#)
- [ACA Presentation Template \(PPT\)](#)
- [ACA Outreach Flyer](#)
- [Contact Your SEIC Board & Discipline Committee](#)
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