



Agile Explorers



!! Agile Explorer Library Opens To Wide Acclaim !!



Picture above is not to scale, nor the Agile Explorer library. (see [photo](#))

As Dan mentioned in his [blog](#), the Agile Explorer Library has a physical presence on SP3S in Chattanooga and [online](#). For walk ups, there is physical, small black box where you can record which book you choose to check out. Additionally, for remote library browsers, a list has been created where you can request a book by [creating a list item](#). An alert will be sent upon a change to the list, the book will be dropped in inter-company mail to you within 24 hours. It's the closest thing to Amazon Prime in TVA.

Please take a moment to browse and check out something that interests you. Although more books are being added this week, if you have a book request, just tweet it to @AgileExplorer.

Frequently Used Terms

Scrum - A framework within which people can address complex adaptive problems, while productively and creatively delivering products of the highest possible value.

SAFe – Scaled Agile Framework is a knowledge base for implementing agile practices at enterprise scale. As the framework is public facing, the intent is to continuously inspect and adapt the framework with input from the larger community. Current version is 2.5 with 3.0 being released on July 28.

Refactoring – An activity that strives to improve the internal structure of an existing program's source code, while preserving its external behavior. Benefits of proper refactoring include increased ease of maintenance, less code duplication, and reduced code complexity.

Find more terms in the [IT Glossary](#). Jeff Hall, Sr Program Manager, Emerging Technology is the primary point of contact for the glossary.

Microsoft Outlook – It's a Feature

After the meeting request for the [Leading SAFe](#) class went out, it was a bit perplexing to see the lack of responses – whether they were declines or acceptances.

After contacting a few folks – it was clear what was happening. In an effort to minimize, low value e-mail traffic, many folks had selected '**Do not send a response.**' when accepting the meeting.

Unfortunately, when no response is sent, the meeting organizer [does not see the declines or acceptances](#) – leaving the organizer with the impression that no action has been taken.

Please spread the word...it is better to send a response and let the meeting organizer know your intent.

Note: Outlook does provides the organizer [a method](#) to indicate that responses are not requested before a meeting notice is sent (see [screenshot](#) also).