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APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND PRELIMINARY QUALIFICATIONS

IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT GUIDELINES:

Step I – Call-In

- Call in on the designated call-in date listed on the official calendar.
- If you do not receive an appointment, you must call again on the next designated call-in date.
- If you receive an appointment, proceed to Step II.

Step II – In-Person Document Turn-In

- Document turn-in is permitted by appointment only.
- Report to the OCETI Training Center on the date and time provided during your call-in.
- Bring all required documents with you. Incomplete documentation will result in closure of your file.
- No documents will be accepted outside of a scheduled appointment.

Step III – Testing Requirements

- All assigned testing dates are mandatory.
- Failure to attend will result in closure of your file.
- We understand the importance of time so be very mindful of our timelines.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must meet **all** of the following requirements:

- Possess all required documents **prior to calling**.
- Demonstrate fluency in the English language.
- Be at least **18 years of age** at the time of application.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:

Applicants must bring **all** of the following documents at the time of application:

- Valid driver's license
- Social Security card
- High school diploma or equivalent (GED or H.S.P.E.)
- Official, **sealed** high school transcripts



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OFFICIAL SEALED (UNOPENED) TRANSCRIPTS

Your official sealed (unopened) transcripts must demonstrate **one** of the following:

- Successful completion of **two (2) semesters of High School Algebra I** with a minimum grade of **“C” or better, or**
- Successful completion of **one post–high school Algebra course** (e.g., Adult Education, Continuing Education, Community College) with a minimum grade of **“C” or better, or**
- Proof of successful completion of the **NJATC Tech Math Course**.

If your transcripts reflect completion of a mathematics course **other than Algebra I** (e.g., Integrated Math), you must provide a **letter on official school letterhead** clearly stating that the course is **equivalent to Algebra I**.

Important Notes

- Applicants are strongly encouraged to **order two copies of their transcripts** so they may verify which math course(s) were completed prior to submission.
- If your high school diploma or transcripts are issued in a language **other than English**, they must be **translated into English by a certified translator** before submission.

QUALIFIED APPLICANTS:

Qualified applicants will receive a letter at the time of application specifying the **date, time, and location** of the required aptitude examination. The mandatory aptitude test assesses **Reading Comprehension and Algebra**.

In addition, all qualified applicants will be scheduled for a **supplemental aptitude assessment**. This assessment is administered uniformly, does **not replace** the required aptitude test, and is intended to provide additional job-related information to support the selection process. This test battery covers General Science, Word Knowledge, Mathematics Knowledge, Auto Information, Mechanical Comprehension, Arithmetic Reasoning, Paragraph Comprehension, Electronics Information, Shop Information, and Assembling Objects.

Applicants selected for employment will be required to pass a **drug screening** prior to acceptance. Any applicant testing positive for a controlled substance will not be accepted for training.

All applicants must meet **all preliminary qualifications** to proceed. Apprentice selection is based solely on qualifications and is made **without regard to race, creed, color, sex, or national origin**.

MILITARY APPLICANTS:

Military applicants with an Honorable Discharge within the past five (5) years must provide their **DD-214 (Member 4 copy), a valid driver’s license, and Social Security card**. Applicants qualifying under this provision **will not be scheduled for the entrance aptitude test** and will proceed **directly to the interview phase**.



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INSIDE WIREMAN

Program Overview

- Five (5) year electrical apprenticeship program
- Starting wage: **\$21.39 per hour**
- Benefits include **Health & Welfare** and **Pension Plans**
- Wage increases of approximately **5–10% of the Journeyman wage** every **6 to 12 months**, based on progression

Skills You Will Learn Apprentices will learn to install, maintain, and repair electrical and electronic systems in **commercial, industrial, and residential** settings. Training includes installing, connecting, and testing electrical wiring systems for **lighting, heating, air conditioning, and communications** in a wide variety of buildings and structures.

SOUND INSTALLER

Program Overview

- Three (3) year Sound & Communications apprenticeship program
- Starting wage: **\$25.31 per hour**
- Benefits include **Health & Welfare** and **Pension Plans**
- Wage increases of approximately **5–10% of the Installer wage** every **six (6) months**, based on progression

Skills You Will Learn Apprentices will learn to install, maintain, and repair **low-voltage systems**, including fire alarms, telephones, computer networks, security systems, video systems, and sound systems. Training also includes **troubleshooting and repair** of these systems.

INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ITS) ELECTRICIAN

Program Overview

- Five (5) year apprenticeship program
- Starting wage: **\$21.39 per hour**
- Benefits include **Health & Welfare** and **Pension Plans**
- Wage increases of approximately **5–10% of the Journeyman wage** every **6 to 12 months**, based on progression

Skills You Will Learn The Intelligent Transportation Systems Electrical Apprenticeship covers work involving **street lighting, traffic signals, and intelligent freeway systems**. This is physically demanding, outdoor work that includes underground conduit and wire installation, digging and boring, and removal and restoration of street surfaces. Regular lifting of **25 to 50 pounds** is required, and work is performed in varying weather conditions.