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JATC NEWS

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON ELECTRICAL JATC

From the Director





SCHOOL NEWS

The end of summer means the beginning of a new school year. Inside A group, Inside Night School, Low Voltage and Residential start class the first week of September. I would like to thank the following instructors who will give their time and knowledge to make sure our apprentices get quality classroom instruction.

Scott Augustine, Barry Blackburn, John Boyer, Brent Eccles, Jake Harper, Titus Hinga, Cameron Leatham, Haley Masbruch, Jason Montgomery, Craig Prescott and Steve Thompson.

Contest



The 2017 Western States Electrical Contest will be held the weekend of September 7th in Fresno, California. Josh Pringle will represent the SWWA JATC. It is an intense competition, but also is a great opportunity to meet and get to know other graduating apprentices from area local unions. If you are working with Josh wish him the best.

Monthly hours

Apprentices, make sure you are submitting your online hour reports no later than the 10th of the following month. You should be logging them daily, or at least weekly, and then submitting them at the end of the month. Submitting hours late will eventually cost you money because of the penalties involved. Don't cost yourselves hundreds of dollars because of laziness!

<u> OJT</u>

On the job training is the backbone of apprenticeship. If you are supervising an apprentice it is your responsibility to make sure they are gaining the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in the industry. This doesn't mean you have to watch over the apprentice at all times. Demonstrate, observe, and follow-up is usually the best approach when teaching hands-on skills. If you are an apprentice you must listen and watch closely, ask good questions, and ask for help if something is unclear. Take notes if needed. Effective communication between instructor and learner is the key.

<u>EEO</u>

The JATC is always looking to increase the number of minority and female applicants. If you know of anyone that would be an asset to our program, please encourage them to apply.

Steve Harper Training Director



- The JATC is committed to quality instruction. Our facility in Tacoma is set up to provide the best training for CEU instruction. Based on this fact, the Committee has made the decision that the primary place for member CEU classes will be in Tacoma. Paul Fisher will continue to offer CEU classes in Elma for our Southwestern members. If this inconveniences you, I apologize, but is was done with the goal of making our continuing education classes the best in the industry.
- The updated Oregon Rule of Law class will not be accepted until the end of October, so we will offer that class in February

Class list:

TACOMA

- NEC Code Changes. Thursdays (10/5, 19) 8 hours
- WAC/RCW. Monday (10/16) 4 hours
- Fiber Optics. Mondays (10/9, 16, 23) 12 hours
- Electrical Vehicle Charging Stations. Thursday (10/19) 4 hours
- Introduction to Fire Alarm. Thursdays (10/5, 12, 19) 12 hours
- First Aid/CPR. Monday (10/23) or Saturday (10/14@ 8am) 4 hours

<u>ELMA</u>

- NEC Code Changes. Monday, Wednesday (10/2, 4) 8 hours
- WAC/RCW. Monday (10/16) 4 hours
- Code Calculations. Wednesdays, Monday (10/18, 23, 25) 12 hours