

APPRENTICESHIP QUESTIONS

Building a Skilled Workforce

1. What is a registered apprenticeship?
2. What is the criterion for an apprentice-able occupation?
3. What is the length of an apprenticeship? It depends on the profession. They vary in length from 1 to 5 years
4. How old do you need to be to begin an apprenticeship? 16 years old
5. What can the wage range be for an apprentice earn when he/she begins their apprenticeship? What wage will an apprentice earn when he/she completes his apprenticeship?
6. What qualifications do you need to have to become an apprenticeship sponsor?
7. Do you have to be a large organization or part of a union organization to be an Apprenticeship Sponsor?
8. In what occupations are apprenticeships available?
9. What type of related instruction must an apprentice receive?
10. What are the benefits to the Apprenticeship Sponsor?
11. Who is responsible for training the apprentice?
12. What are the benefits for a high school student beginning an apprenticeship at age 16 or 17?
The main benefit is that the student will be able to begin working at a journeyman level by the time they are 21 or 22.
13. Who should a high school student contact if they are interested in starting an apprenticeship?

Talk to their counselor. The counselor should know who in their region can help guide the student to the program nearest them

14. What are the requirements to begin a high school apprenticeship?

It isn't really a high school apprenticeship; it is an apprenticeship that you can begin while you are still in high school. The student must become registered with the BAT, and then they are allowed to train even though they are not yet 18. It is the same program that the adults will be going through, they just begin earlier, and their high school classes can count as some of their related classwork.

In several districts students can take their first Electrician or Plumbing apprenticeship related classwork as a Concurrent class.

Trades Math or testing out of Trades Math is the required prerequisite. The Community Colleges have testing centers where students can determine if they can test out. If not, SLCC has also worked out a program where students can take trades math after hours for Concurrent Credit, to allow them to continue on with their apprenticeship.

15. What is the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training?
16. What does an apprentice receive upon completion of the Apprenticeship program?
17. What is the purpose of the Apprenticeship Awards Banquet? To honor the excellent work done by the apprentices during their training, and to build awareness of the wonderful training opportunity that an apprenticeship provides
18. How many apprentices are selected for The Apprentice of the Year Award and how does the selection process work?
19. What awards do the apprenticeship winners receive?
20. Can an Apprenticeship Sponsor receive an award? NO, it is for the apprentice, but the employer gets a copy of the award to display
21. Is the apprentice of the year selected on a local level or on a state level? Regional Level