

Limited Energy - Unlimited Potential

Statewide Limited Energy JATC Newsletter

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Training Today's Industry for Tomorrow's Technology

2004 School Year Begins

Classes will start the week of January 12, 2004 for 1st and 2nd year Installer training as well as 4th year Technician.

If our records show that you are to register for these classes, we have enclosed a letter for you with this newsletter. Please return this letter to us after you have indicated your desire for Monday/Wednesday classes or Tuesday/Thursday classes. We are using this as your pre-registration form.

Class registration will be held on December 29th and 30th. At this registration, students will be required to hand in the Textbook Checklist which is included with this letter. Since students are allowed to purchase used books from past students, we need this checklist to make sure we have an appropriate supply of textbooks on hand for every student needing books.

IBEW Local 110 Credit Union and Electrus Credit Union will have representatives at this registration meeting so students can apply for an interest free book loan if they need to.

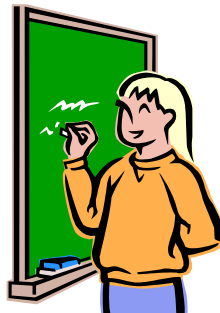
Tips on determining if you will be attending this session:

1st year classes will be attended by Installers who have not completed any of their apprenticeship schooling and have signed installer indenture papers.

2nd year classes will be attended by Installers who have successfully completed 1st year classes.

4th year classes will be attended by Technicians who have successfully completed the Installer apprenticeship AND have indentured as a Technician

If you feel you should have received notification to attend school, but do not receive your letter with this newsletter, please call our office at 763-571-5922.



Have E-Mail?

Are you interested in receiving this newsletter by e-mail? If you are, we would be happy to include you. Pass the word along to others in your company and we can send the newsletter to them as well.

Also, keep in mind that we are always happy to address subjects that you feel should be included here. Just send your questions or article suggestions to editor@statewidelea.org.

The Answer Box

We would like to thank you for questions that were asked as a result of our first newsletter. This newsletter is our opportunity to answer your questions.

Question: I am not currently employed by a Limited Energy Contractor. Can I still attend school?

Answer: You may be able to attend class. However; you do need to submit a written request for review by the Education Committee. It is important that we receive any request for classes starting January 2004 no later than December 17th for review at the December 18th committee meeting.



Question: If I am not employed by a contractor, when do I need to call my Union to get a withdrawal card so I don't get delinquent on my dues?

Answer: The JATC cannot answer Union questions for you. You need to contact your Union Representative, at the numbers listed below, for that type of information. We will only answer questions regarding apprenticeship.

Local 110:	651-776-4239
Local 242:	218-728-6895
Local 292:	612-379-1292
Local 343:	507-282-7081

From Jim's Desk



With Union contract negotiations just around the corner, I want to take this opportunity to remind everyone that **our JATC must remain neutral at all times**. We are not your Contractor/Employer or your Union Representation. Please keep this in mind, especially when the Union Agreement is being negotiated.

Instructors are aware that classroom discussions CANNOT include any issue that does not pertain to the lesson plan for that class. Please be respectful of this and do not place the instructors in an awkward position by asking questions that they are not authorized to answer.

I feel that it's equally important that each apprentice and non-apprentice student remain aware that discussions regarding the Union Agreement cannot happen in the classroom.

Thanks, Jim

Power Limited Technician Continuing Education Credits

We are submitting the full five years of our curriculum to the State Board of Electricity for review and approval as criteria to meet the continuing education requirement for the Power Limited Technician License.

If this is approved and you were an indentured apprentice when you passed the Power Limited Technician License test, you may have already filled your 8 hour requirement for your first renewal.

We are submitting outlines for additional 8 hour classes. Our goal is to have 2 to 3 classes available each month so you will have ample opportunity to meet this requirement. We will take care of submitting the appropriate paperwork to the State Board of Electricity to ensure that you have been given credit for completing the training requirement; with a copy to you for your records.

We will keep you updated on the progress of this approval process. **Our goal is to meet your training needs!**

APPRENTICES Friendly Reminder

If you have not already paid our JATC for the annual Department of Labor Apprenticeship Fee of \$30.00, you need to get that done by December 1st. Please send your payment to:

Statewide Limited Energy JATC
452 Northco Drive, Suite 140
Fridley, MN 55432



If you are not sure if you are required to pay the fee, please contact our office at 763-571-5922.

Continuing Education

We will be holding continuing education classes in January and will keep you informed each month of the schedule for future months. The schedule for **January** classes is as follows:

- 10th - IC-3 Computer Fundamentals
- 17th - Basic Security Systems (includes 2 hrs code)
- 24th - Basic Fire Alarm Systems (includes 2 hrs code)

Please note, all above referenced dates for January continuing education classes are on Saturday. Class will begin at 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If you need training to meet the 8 hour requirement for your Power Limited Technician License, please make sure to take advantage of these classes. **Continuing education classes are available for employees (union and non-union) working for a Limited Energy Contractor.**

There is no classroom or instructor fees, however all students will be required to purchase any books or other materials needed for the class.

Holiday Hours

The Statewide Limited Energy JATC will be closed on Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November, 28th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

We will reopen, and classes will resume on Monday, December 1st. If you have any questions or concerns, please leave a voice message. We will return your call on Monday December 1st

