## **Lincoln Electrical JATC**

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## LEJATC APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING PROGRAMS

The Lincoln Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (LEJATC) has 3 types of electrical apprenticeship programs available. One is what we call an Inside program another is an Installer/Technician program and the 3rd is a Construction Wiremen/Construction Electrician program.

The Inside program is a 5-year apprenticeship that combines both on-the-job training and classroom instruction. The work processes of an Inside Apprentice would include but are not limited to conduit bending, pulling and terminating conductors and devices, blueprint reading, motor controls, installation of raceways, fire alarm, lighting, in short it encompasses all electrical work except for Outside Lineman work. The requirements to complete the Inside program include at least 900 hours of classroom instruction plus at least 8,000 hours of on-the-job training plus take and pass the State of Nebraska Journeyman Electrician exam plus complete the 5 levels of the National Electrical Certification Boards Craft Certification.

The Installer/Technician program is a 3-year apprenticeship that just like the Inside program combines on-the-job training and classroom instruction. The work processes of an Installer/Technician Apprentice would include data communication, nurse call systems, CCTV, fiber optics, energy management systems, fire alarm, security systems, in short their scope of work would be limited to systems of generally 50 volts and lower. The requirements to complete the Installer/Technician program include at least 480 hours of classroom instruction plus at least 4,800 hours of on-the-job training.

The Construction Wiremen/Construction Electrician or CW/CE program is a self-paced program that requires at least 14,000 hours of on-the-job training and the completion of 6 levels of Craft Certification to complete. It is not a structured program like the Inside and Installer Tech programs are. You progress at your own pace and control how quickly you advance through the program. You are by no means required to advance and could remain at any level for as long as you wish to. It is another avenue for you to obtain journeyman status in the IBEW. This is for those with and without electrical experience.

The curriculum comes from the National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (NJATC) and it is constantly evaluated and changes made regularly to ensure we are providing our apprentices the most comprehensive up-to-date training material in the electrical industry. If you want a world of opportunities that are only limited by your own desires then look no further than an IBEW/NECA apprenticeship program, you will not be disappointed!

## **How to Apply**

We take applications for our apprenticeship programs at our Training Center located at 6200 South 14th Street in Lincoln, NE on any working Tuesday from 8 am till 5 pm. There is a \$20.00 non-refundable application fee for the Inside and Installer Tech programs, this fee covers the cost of administering the Electrical Trades Aptitude Test. Here is a list of information that you will need to provide us to complete your application:

- \* Need to be a High School graduate or have a GED
- \* Need to provide us with "official" copies of you High School transcripts, any Post High School transcripts (if applicable) and any GED records if you have them.
- \* Must have completed a least 1 year of High School algebra or 1 Post High School algebra course with a passing grade
  - \* Provide us with a copy of your Birth Certificate
  - \* Must possess a valid Drivers License
  - \* Provide us with a copy of your Social Security Card

You have 90 days from the date you apply to get all the information turned in, so you don't have to have it all when you walk through the door.

Once your application is complete you will be scheduled for the aptitude test. We administer the test on the 3rd Monday of every month. If you complete your application by the 3rd Monday in one month you will be eligible for the test in the following month. You must receive a score of a "5" or higher on the test in order to receive an oral interview. If you do not pass the test then you must wait at least 6 months to be able to retake it.

If you receive a qualifying score on the test you will be eligible for an oral interview. You will interview in front of our committee. There are 8 members on our committee and each will give you a score for the interview. Those scores are added together and then averaged out and you would be placed on our selection list with that score. From that list we make our selection for apprenticeship starting with the highest score and continue going down the list until we have filled all the positions we need at that time. You will remain on the selection list for up to 2 years.

Please understand that this is a selective process and in most cases it will take months to complete. Do not be discouraged by this as this amount of time is needed for us to ensure that we are selecting the best candidates for our programs. The other benefit is that if you are currently employed you can remain that way throughout the process. Only if you were selected would you need to terminate your current employment.

## Who We Are and What We Do

The Lincoln Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee or LEJATC is a cooperative effort of the Nebraska Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local #265 in Lincoln, NE.

Our sole purpose to provide the most comprehensive electrical training for apprentices and journeymen in the jurisdiction of IBEW Local #265. This is something we take very seriously but not for granted. The electrical industry is ever-changing and the new equipment and material we install today may be old and obsolete tomorrow. For this reason we are always evaluating and adjusting our training so that we equip our apprentices and journeyman with the most up-to-date skills and knowledge in the electrical industry.

We are always looking for self-motivated, dependable, hard-working individuals who are willing to put forth the effort it will take to become the best of the best. This is a daunting task and will require a huge commitment but the rewards for that effort will be returned to you many times over. If you think you are ready for a challenge of a lifetime check out our website for further information on the application process, our location and how we can change your life.