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My name is Roy Lamb II and I am the Training Coordinator for the Lincoln Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (or LEJATC for short) located here in Lincoln, NE. I am writing you this letter to provide you with information on the excellent training opportunities that we have available for your students. Apprenticeship is not new and has been around for thousands of years, I am sure you have been an apprentice at one time or another in your life. I truly enjoy working with our apprentices, just as you do with your students, as they develop lasting skills and reap the rewards of commitment and hard work.

We offer 3 Apprenticeship programs:

- The Inside Program encompasses all types of electrical work other than outside Lineman work and is a 5-year program.
- The Installer Technician Program involves work on lower voltage systems, such as, data communications, fire alarms, security and fiber optics and is a 3-year program.
- The Construction Wireman/Construction Electrician (CW/CE) program is a self-paced program and encompasses the same work processes as the Inside program.

The electrical industry is strong and secure. As you probably already know, there is a shortage of skilled electricians that will continue to get worse as more of the Baby-Boomer generation begin to retire. This means there will be plenty of opportunities for excellent paying positions in the electrical industry. Our apprenticeship program is over 60 years strong. We are committed to providing a first-rate education, competitive earning wages and training that evolves with the ever-changing electrical industry.

The best part is that our apprentices get paid to learn a skilled trade in an **Earn-While-You-Learn** setting. There is no need for students to apply for loans or scholarships, or end up with school debt. The apprentice is paid wages and benefits all while learning a skilled trade that will provide them with a secure and prosperous future.

Want to learn more?

www.lincolnelectricaljatc.org

Sincerely,

Training Director, Lincoln Electrical JATC



Lincoln Electrical JATC Program Descriptions

The Lincoln Electrical JATC has 3 programs available for an applicant to choose from. All of the programs require that the applicant must be at least 17 years of age to apply and 18 to be able to be put to work. You must provide proof of age (copy of birth certificate or passport), you must have a valid driver's license, and you must provide a copy of your Social Security card. The Inside and Installer-Tech programs require that you provide additional information as noted with the asterisk. Those with previous experience and/or trade related classroom instruction will be evaluated for possible advanced standing within the program they choose.

We take applications for our apprenticeship programs on our website www.lincolnelectricaljatc.org. You can also fill out an online application at our training center located at 6200 S. 14th St. in Lincoln, Nebraska but you will need to call for an appointment. There is a \$20.00 application fee for all of the programs and this covers the cost of administering the Electrical Trades Aptitude test. Here is a list of the three programs and the highlights of each one.

Inside Program*

- ✓ 5 Year program, you must complete at least 8,000 hours of on-the-job training and at least 900 hours of trade related classroom instruction. You must also take and pass the State of Nebraska Journeymen electrician exam.
- ✓ Starting pay rate for 1st year apprentices is \$13.55 (effective 9/1/15) plus health insurance.
- ✓ Your pay will increase as you progress through the program.
- ✓ You can earn an Associate's degree from SCC; you will need to complete the general education courses required to receive your degree.
- ✓ The type of work that an Inside Apprentice will do is commercial and industrial electrical work. They may on occasion do some residential and telecommunication work but it is very limited. In essence their scope of work encompasses all types of electrical work except for Outside Lineman work.
- ✓ This is a structured program in which you work during the day and attend classes in the evenings.



Installer Technician Program*

- ✓ 3 Year program, you must complete at least 4800 hours of on-the-job training and at least 480 hours of trade related classroom instruction.
- ✓ Starting pay rate of \$11.81 per hour (effective 12/1/14) plus health insurance. Your pay will increase as you progress through the program.
- ✓ The Installer Technician apprentice work is limited strictly to lower voltage systems such as data communications, fire alarm, nurse call, fiber optics, and security systems just to name a few.
- ✓ This is a structured program in which you work during the day and attend classes in the evenings.

Construction Wireman / Construction Electrician Program

- ✓ This is an alternate method to becoming a journeyman wireman.
- ✓ There is no algebra requirement needed for this program.
- ✓ You will advance through the program by completing the required safety and trade related classes and working the required number of on-the-job training hours.
- ✓ To complete the program you must work at least 14,000 on-the-job training hours and complete all safety and trade related courses required for this program.
- ✓ Starting pay for this program is \$10.84 per hour (effective 9/1/15). The first 500 hours of employment constitutes a probationary period. You will not receive any benefits during that period and upon completion of it you will receive single person health insurance coverage up to a \$300.00 premium.
- ✓ You are encouraged to complete the pre-determined training needed to advance to the next pay level but other than the mandatory safety training you are not required to do so.
- ✓ This is a self-paced home study program. You will be required to come to the training center for testing and labs, otherwise your studies can be done at your leisure.

^{*}These programs require that you are a High School graduate or have a GED, you must provide us with an official copy of your High School transcripts as well as any Post High School ones you might have, you must have completed at least 1 year of High School Algebra with a passing grade or 1 Post-High School algebra course with a passing grade. You would also be required to take and receive a qualifying score of a "4" or higher on the Electrical Trades Aptitude test that has been developed and validated by the American Institutes for Research. Upon receipt of a qualifying score you will be eligible to receive an oral interview.