

Frequently Asked Questions

Students should set an appointment to come in and fill out the application paperwork.

1) How long is the program? How much does it cost?

Answer: 2 nights a week for 4 years. Classes are free for students working with a Member Contractor. Students pay for their book and registration fee each year. Book price will vary with student year level. Registration fee is a yearly fee.

- 2) Do I need to work AND attend classes?

 Answer: Yes.
- 3) How do I get a job?

Answer: You are given a list of contractors during the application process and you call each one every other week and request an interview to obtain a job. We do not place you with a contractor, and we do not guarantee everyone finds employment. Employment depends upon the current economy of Brevard County and how it's affecting our Member Contractors. Student must work with a Member Contractor in order to receive credit for their work hours. Member Contractors are on file with the State of Florida attached to this program.

4) Where are the classes held? When does school start?

Answer: At the Palm Bay Campus of Eastern Florida State College. School starts every August. Students cannot enter mid-year in January.

5) When should I set an appointment to fill out an application?

Answer: As soon as possible. Office hours are Mon-Thurs, llam-5pm. We take applications year round. The deadline for the upcoming August is the 2nd Wednesday in July. After that, everyone goes into a pending file for the NEXT August.

6) How old do I need to be and do I need a high school diploma?

Answer: 17 years old WITH a high school diploma or 18 years of age and no high school diploma. A 17 year old might have to wait until 18 to find employment, but can still attend class until that time.

7) How much money can I make?

Answer: There is a program minimum amount per hour that is usually more than national minimum wage, but the amount changes every August. Also, some contractors pay more than the required program minimum, so pay will vary per contractor and per students' previous experience.

8) What do I need to graduate?

Answer: 4 years of completed classroom education and 8000 On-The-Job (OJT) work hours. Students w/o enough hours may have a partial graduation until hours are fulfilled.

9) When can I take the test for my Journeyman's License?

Answer: After you have successfully completed 2 years of school, and have 4000 OJT hours on file with this office.