



APPRENTICE SCHOOL IMPORTANT NOTES FOR THE SUMMER/FALL 2020 SEMESTER

We'd like to start by welcoming you all back to the Plumbers Local 75 Training Center after classes were suspended March 16th due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Your patience and flexibility have been greatly appreciated as we planned and developed for your return! While preparing for resuming in-person instruction, it is important that you understand our guiding principles: (1) Maintaining a safe and healthy atmosphere for students and staff; (2) Protecting the integrity of our courses and programming; and (3) Ensuring seamless delivery of quality course content.

While many of you have fortunately remained working on your jobsites with little to no interruption, we'd like to remind you that in-class instruction presents unique challenges and many "unknowns" during the continued pandemic. We have put into place several mitigation safeguards and ask that you all do your part to continue minimizing the spread of the virus.

We want to call your attention to several important factors for this SUMMER/FALL semester:

1. **Completing Spring, 2020** - The MAIN purpose for the Summer/Fall semester will be to COMPLETE your Spring, 2020 course(s). We will be resuming with week 8 of 16 for 1st-4th semester PRI (day school) and week 7 of 9 for 5th semester. Classes were divided to reduce class sizes. Half of you will begin school in mid-July, to complete by mid-September; the other half will begin school mid-September to complete before Thanksgiving. There will be a NEW (16 week) 1st semester class starting, as well as NEW (9 week) 5th semester class. **IT IS IMPORTANT YOU PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR SPECIFIC SECTION, START & END DATE**, as you may not have the same schedule as other classmates from Spring. **Attendance policies remain – be mindful of your accrued violations thus far.**
2. **Plumbing Applications (Instructor-Castleman)** – Will be delivered as a HYBRID course, with students alternating weeks of in-person instruction & online instruction; Enrollment has been divided into 2 sections with a staggered start to accomplish this.
3. **Piping Installations (Instructor-Hanus)** – Will be delivered as a HYBRID course, with students alternating weeks of in-person instruction & online instruction; Enrollment has been divided into 2 sections with a staggered start to accomplish this.
4. **CPR/AED & First Aid** – Will be done as BLENDED LEARNING, to include online course content and an in-person skills check. If you need to complete this requirement, **WATCH FOR A SEPARATE NOTICE TO BE SENT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.**
5. **OSHA30** – To reduce class sizes, several apprentices in western Waukesha & Jefferson counties have been scheduled to resume OSHA30, along with Madison-area members, at our class being held at Steamfitters Local 601's Madison facility. Your respect of their facility and COVID19 Controls is expected.
6. **PL75 Training Center COVID-19 Controls** – Read and adhere to printed guidelines (attached).
7. **Laptops** – As a reminder, all day school students will be required to have their own laptop (preferred) or tablet. If you are still in need of a laptop, contact the Apprenticeship Office immediately (inventory is limited).

Again, we look forward to having you back to continue with your apprenticeship instruction and requirements.

Sincerely,

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