

February 11, 2016

Houston and Vicinity Carpenter Apprenticeship Contractors

Dear Sir or Madame,

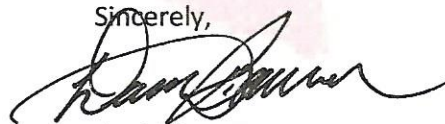
To improve the quality of the education Apprentice receive at the Texas Carpenters and Millwright Houston Training Center, night classes will be discontinued as of February 15, 2016. All apprentice from this day forward are required to attend one forty-hour course, every three months (Quarter) beginning with the 2nd quarter April 1, 2016, through June 30th, 2016. All apprentice will be required to attend four classes a year, one each quarter.

To assist the apprentice and the employer, classes may be scheduled up to a year in advance using a link from our Web site. All classes are forty hours and are taught 7:00 AM to 5:45 PM Monday through Thursday except the "Safety Class" that runs Monday through Friday 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The ten-hour day schedule is designed to provide the Training Center with the time to train Apprentice and get them back to the work site as quick as possible.

I assure you the decision to move from night classes to day classes was not done lightly. After a year of offering both day classes and night classes, the data shows a significant improvement in retention and knowledge of those attending day classes. Night classes required an Apprentice to come to training four hours one night a week for ten weeks, four times a year for a total of forty weeks. For many of our Apprentice, this was after working eight to ten-hour shifts. With the implementation of the new program, Apprentice will receive that same training in four days for a total of sixteen days a year.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter, if I can assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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