

PIPEFITTERS' TRAINING FUND, LOCAL UNION 597

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Dear Local Union 597 Apprentice,

Please be advised that in-person apprentice training classes will resume the week of January 18, 2021. Please verify that your school day, contact information and Union Dues are current. Please share all updated information with your employer prior to returning to class.

Re-engaging apprentice day classes will require enhanced safety and mitigation measures that will remain in effect at all LU 597 training facilities until reasonable levels of community spread are reported by State and Local Public Health Departments. Safety protocols will include but not be limited to the following:

- Strict adherence to PFTF Local Union 597 Coronavirus (Covid-19) Preparedness Plan.
- Weekly Apprentice and Staff surveillance Covid-19 testing.
- All class activities will be limited to workshop environments with recommended distance and HEPA ventilation controls.
- Temperature checks, symptom/contact surveys and face coverings will be required.
- Modified training schedules designed to eliminate any potential communal gatherings.
- School closure decision matrix will be closely monitored.

Please report to the Mokena Training Center on your designated School Day and take note of the modified start times and entry locations.

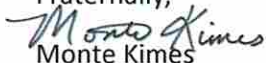
Class	Return Week Of	Class Start Time	Facility Entrance
1 st year HVAC	1-18-21	7:00am	East Shop - North Door
2 nd year HVAC	1-18-21	6:40am	East Shop - North Door
3 rd year HVAC	1-18-21	6:20am	East Shop - North Door
4 th year HVAC	1-18-21	6:00am	East Shop - North Door
1 st year BT Block-January group	1-18-21	7:00am	Main Entrance - North Door
2 nd year Building Trades	1-18-21	6:30am	Main Entrance – North Door
3 rd year Building Trades	1-18-21	6:00am	Main Entrance – North Door
1 st year BT Block-April group	4-6-21	7:00am	Main Entrance – North Door

All classes will be tested for Covid-19 on a rotating basis to help identify potential asymptomatic individuals. Classes will be scheduled at the Aurora Training Center to help accommodate Covid-19 Viral Testing. Rotating Covid-19 test schedules will be provided to all students upon return to class.

Night training courses will remain limited to job specific certification classes during the first quarter of 2021. Additional night class offerings will be posted on the Local Union 597 Training web site as they become available.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact myself or Business Manager Morrissey at your convenience.

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Training Director



Kevin Morrissey
Business Manager

Ap•pren•tice – noun,

1. A helper of a professional; a worker in training.