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DISTRICT COUNCIL #4

Finishing Trades Institute of Western & Central NY

Frequently asked questions:

What is an apprenticeship and how does it work?

An apprenticeship is earn as you learn. The program has a classroom component as well as field work. Once you start as an apprentice you will work for a contractor learning in the field and you will be required to attend classes four weeks a year.

How much will I get paid?

Apprentices get paid at a percentage of the journeyman's wages; the pay starts at 40 to 50% of scale and increases every 750 to 1000 hours.

What about benefits?

We have a benefit package that in most cases provides enough money to access health care after the first year and monies are paid in to retirement benefits; benefits increase throughout the apprenticeship.

How do I apply?

We have open enrolment for apprenticeship. At our union hall applicants can come the first Tuesday of every month. Our hall is located at 585 Aero drive in Cheektowaga. Or you can go to our website DC4.org, go to the training page and download the application. When you fill it out you can mail it to our office or scan and email it to us.

What do I need to apply?

You need a High School diploma or GED, a valid NYS driver's license, be able to pass a drug test and be physically fit.

How old do I have to be?

18 years old or 17 and a graduate of high school