



The International Union of Operating Engineers Local 57 is Accepting Applications for their Apprenticeship Program

Operating Engineers operate, repair, and maintain the construction equipment used on building and highway projects in the Rhode Island area. The Apprenticeship Program provides the training required to have a rewarding career in that area of the construction industry. Apprentices learn the trade by attending both classroom and hands-on instruction at our training facility. Applicants must have the aptitude and physical abilities to learn and perform the craft.

Applications must be completed in-person from **Tuesday May 27th, 2025 – Friday May 30th, 2025, from 9am-3:30pm** at 873 Central Avenue in Johnston, RI 02919. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age by May 27, 2025, and provide documentation of:

- A High School Diploma / GED
- High School Transcript
- Social Security Card
- Three Signed Letters of Reference (Not from family)
- Birth Certificate
- Valid Driver's License
- Copy of DD-214 (Veterans only)

You have 7 days from the date of your application to return all necessary documents listed above. Completed applications will move onto the next steps of the selection process.

Please call (401) 934-0360 with any questions.

The Local 57 Apprenticeship Program will not discriminate against apprenticeship applicants or apprentices based on color, religion, national origin, sex (including pregnancy), gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, or because they are an individual with a disability or a person 40 years or older. The Local 57 Apprenticeship Program will take affirmative action to provide equal opportunity in apprenticeship and will operate the apprenticeship program as required under 29 CFR § 30.

Thank you for your inquiry into the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 57, Apprenticeship Skill and Improvement Program.

The Local 57 Apprenticeship and Skill Improvement Program is an excellent way to learn the craft and to earn an income at the same time. The system is designed to give someone, who knows little or nothing about the trade, the knowledge to become a journey-level operating engineer. The average length is three years. During this period, apprentices learn their trade by working with skilled, journey-level operating engineers on actual jobsites and attending related classroom instruction and/or field training at the local union's training site.

All applications will be completed in person at the Local 57 Training Site, located at 873 Central Avenue, Johnston, RI 02919 from Tuesday May 27th, 2025 through Friday May 30, 2025, from 9am-3:30pm.

At the time of application, we ask that all applicants bring in all the required paperwork listed on the previous page. Please bring original birth certificates, licenses, and social security cards. Copies of such documents will not be accepted. We will make copies of your paperwork and return the originals to you. Letters of reference must include an actual signature, no electronic signatures accepted. If you do not have the original or copies of your high school diploma, high school transcripts, or GED, please reach out to the appropriate school/department to request a copy prior to completing the application.

If an application is completed in full, and all required paperwork has been submitted, the applicant will be invited to the testing stage consisting of a general knowledge aptitude test and a physical ability test. Based on the completed application, letters of reference, and results of the testing, applicants will be invited to in-person interviews. From the interview pool, applicants will be selected to attend the upcoming apprenticeship class.

Please note, the program is free of charge to students and begins with a mandatory 4-weeks of on-site instruction held Monday-Friday for one month. This initial month is unpaid. Upon completion of the initial month, all apprentices are eligible to be dispatched to work. Required classes are also held for apprentices two nights per week and all day on Saturdays over the course of the 3-year program, following the academic calendar.

The program is scheduled to start Monday July 7th, 2025

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