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WEEKLY WORKFLOW: November 3, 2020

Local 130 JAC Apprentice Night School Classes Cancelled Until Further Notice



The following information is being shared at the request of UA Local 130 JAC Chair Jim Coyne and Co-Chair Craig Thomas. As a result of the rising number of COVID-19 cases, in an effort to keep everyone safe, effective immediately **all night school classes for both 4th year classes and supplemental classes have been cancelled** until further notice. Reviews for the License Exams will still be held, but students will only be able to attend if they are signed up to take the exam. **Day school classes will remain open.** Daytime apprentices will continue to follow safety protocols and attend day school by wearing their masks and maintaining social distance as well as washing their hands often. The JAC office will send out an alert by email once night classes can resume.

Local 130 JAC COVID-19 Program Protocols



The UA Local 130 JAC office issued a letter on November 2, 2020 to all of its signatory contractors regarding the safety of its JAC Training Centers and the steps it continues to take including following safety protocols recommended by the Centers of Disease Control and the Illinois Department of Public Health to protect the apprentices, instructors, and program staff at its three schools (Chicago, Joliet, and Volo). To read the letter, which clearly states that **no** cases of COVID-19 have been traced to its training centers, [click here](#).

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PCA Membership Meeting in November
Tuesday (at 2:00 PM) November 10th

If you haven't done so, register today for the next PCA Membership Meeting, which will serve as our "annual meeting." This virtual meeting open to all PCA contractors and PCA Associate Members (at no cost) will take place on **Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 2:00 PM** and feature guest speaker Fox Channel 32 sportscaster and Avli Taverna restaurant owner **Lou Canellis**. This meeting will occur online due to Illinois' COVID-19 restrictions and for the overall health and safety of our membership. To register, [click the button below](#).



Plumbing Contractor Registration Renewal Concerns at IDPH

The PCA has been informed by several of our contractors that they have been experiencing technical

difficulties renewing their Illinois Plumbing Contractor Registration on the IDPH website. The IDPH system will lock out the user and not allow completion of the renewal process if the information is entered incorrectly. If this happens, the IDPH advises these users to send an email to dph.plumbing@illinois.gov and explain that they have been locked out of the renewal process and provide them with the name of the plumbing business and the plumbing contractor registration number (055 number). The IDPH asks that people allow up to 5 days for a response to these emails. Also, we suggest that once the renewal has been processed and is shown on the IDPH License Verification site that PCA contractors take a screenshot/photo of the verification page as proof that their registration is valid. In the meantime, if any PCA contractor needs available IDPH approved C.E. classes being offered throughout the state, [click here](#). Note: the PCA has temporarily refrained from conducting in-person classes due to Illinois' COVID-19 restrictions and for the overall health and safety of our membership.

PCA-Local 130 Drug Testing Program Has Resumed as of November 1, 2020

The PCA has resumed our random & mandatory drug testing program at full capacity as of November 1, 2020. It is advised that all PCA contractors continue to inform their Local 130 plumbers of this change to lessen the likelihood of an increase in positive tests if they were using marijuana (which became legal in Illinois as of January 1, 2020 but remains a prohibitive substance in our drug testing policy) during this time. If you have any questions, please contact PCA Executive Director S.J. Peters at the Association office at 312-563-9526 or 630-280-9307 (mobile); or by email to: sj@plumbingcouncil.org. Thank you.

Voluntary Dues for National PHCC

All PCA member contractors by now should have received a letter from the Illinois PHCC requesting 2021 dues for the National PHCC. Please note that your company is welcome to voluntarily join and pay for National PHCC, but it has no effect on your PCA contractor membership (which remains complimentary through June 1, 2021) or on your Illinois PHCC (state chapter) membership – which is granted to you as an extra value of belonging to your Association. As a PCA member, when you pay your PHCC National dues, the PCA will pay the Illinois PHCC dues on your behalf. You will also be represented with the Union Affiliated Contractors – UAC of PHCC. We hope this avoids any confusion.

Note: The PCA is the one and only plumbing contractors association in our area/jurisdiction that is (and for decades has been) the official local chapter of the PHCC, with active PCA representation, support and participation on the Illinois PHCC Chapter Board and committees. If you have additional questions, please contact PCA Executive Director S.J. Peters at 312-563-9526 (office); 630-280-9307 (mobile); or at sj@plumbingcouncil.org.

Illinois Mandates Sexual Harassment Prevention Training by December 31, 2020

PCA contractors have several no-cost options by virtue of your affiliation with your association to provide their employees with required Illinois compliant sexual harassment prevention training by the state imposed deadline of December 31, 2020. PCA contractors should consider registering their employees to sign up for the following sexual harassment prevention training options:

- [ERS Training](#) (You can create your own company code or use our PCA's access code: pcaeap. Once activated, scroll down to the "Soft Skill Courses" at the bottom of the screen. From there, scroll down to "required training courses" to access the Illinois Sexual Harassment Training course, which includes a quiz and certificate of completion at the end.)
- [Construction Education Institute \(CEI\) Training](#)
- [Illinois Department of Human Rights Training](#)

Industry News You Can Use

The PCA partners with various industry-related associations to bring our affiliated contractors the most current plumbing and mechanical news, legislative updates, and event happenings. Please take the time to read through the latest industry publications by clicking on the links below.

- [MARBA Matters](#) (October 30, 2020)
- [IL Dept of Labor Certified Transcript of Payroll Portal](#)
- [Illinois PHCC Virtual Expo](#) (2020)
- [PCA Website: COVID-19 Resources and Information](#)

Construction Education Institute Online Classes

In response to COVID-19, the Construction Education Institute® (CEI) is conducting online-only classes. The CEI classes are complimentary to all PCA contractor members and their employees as an extra benefit of belonging to our Association.

[3 Steps to Building a Culture of Feedback & Transparency](#)

November 12, 2020 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

[Excel Lists and Reports with Pivot Tables](#)

November 19, 2020 | 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

PCA - UA Local 130 CBA (2020-2024)

The new PCA-UA Local 130 four-year CBA (2020-2024) is now in effect. Please click on the links below for more details.

[PCA-130 CBA \(2020-2024\)](#)

[PCA-130 CBA \(2020-2021\) Wage Sheet](#)

[PCA-130 CBA \(2020-2024\) Synopsis of Changes](#)

[Schedule A for Residential & Light Commercial \(2020-2021\)](#)

[Residential Plumbing Service Agreement \(2020-2021\)](#)

For specific CBA questions or industry-related concerns, please contact the PCA office at 312-563-9526 (during regular business hours) or reach out to Executive Director S.J. Peters at any time by email at sj@plumbingcouncil.org or by mobile phone at 630-280-9307.

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