

# **SIGN HANGER APPRENTICESHIP**

*OPEN SHOP LIMITED JOURNEYMAN SIGN ELECTRICIAN*



## **FOR PUBLIC NOTICE:**

Central Oregon Sign Hangers JATC MA 3002 will accept registrations for apprenticeship

***REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED ONLINE AT [NWCOC.COM](http://nwcoc.com)  
FROM JANUARY 1, 2026 - DECEMBER 11, 2026***

## **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

- 18 years of age (must provide proof of age)
- Proof of high school graduation or GED equivalency
- Proof of completion of one year of high school pre-algebra or higher mathematics with a passing grade of 'C' or better or equivalent community college placement test

## **ALL APPLICANTS MUST ALSO:**

- Complete a Trade Orientation (free of charge)
- Complete sponsor Construction Safety Training
- Provide documentation to show evidence of minimum qualifications and to receive points for education and work history

## **NOTES:**

- Employment opportunities are subject to economic conditions
- Selection will be based on an applicant ranking system
- Employers may require a valid driver's license and drug test
- VETERANS who have GI Benefits may use them in this program
- Graduates of a BOLI-approved Pre-Apprenticeship Program are encouraged to use this program

## **GEOGRAPHICAL AREA:**

- Benton, Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson, Linn, Marion, Polk, Douglas, southern one-half of Yamhill County and Lane Country east of coastal range

***This program conforms to the Equal Employment Opportunity in Apprenticeship Plan, OAR 839-011-0200, minorities and women are strongly encouraged to apply.***

This program is registered with the Oregon State Apprenticeship & Training Council and is recognized by Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council under the terms and conditions of the reciprocal agreement.

CONTACT: For more information call: 503-256-7300 or visit our website at [www.nwcoc.com](http://www.nwcoc.com)

**ON-THE-JOB TRAINING:**

A minimum of 8,000 hours of on-the-job training is required for completion of apprenticeship.

Sign Hanger duties include, but are not limited to, layout, fabrication, testing, installation and service of electrically illuminated signs and components. Sign hangers work both indoors and outdoors, with work performed in awkward positions and cramped quarters requiring the worker to do considerable standing, reaching, bending, stooping, climbing, carrying, lifting and working at great heights.

Applicants must have good math abilities for purposes of calculating sheet metal, iron working, large support structures and electrical formulas as required. Sign Hangers will also work with other variety of materials and fabrication equipment for many other materials such as plastics and wood.

Program completion meets requirements to sit for Limited Journeyman Sign Electrician license.

**RELATED TRAINING:**

A minimum of 144 hours of classroom training is required each year to complete the program and covers the following subjects:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Trade Mathematics</li> <li>· Safety and OSHA Regulations</li> <li>· Care and use of Hand and Power Tools</li> <li>· Electrical Symbols and Blueprint Reading</li> <li>· NEC Electrical Codes</li> <li>· Basic Electrical Fundamentals and Theory</li> <li>· UL 48 Standards</li> <li>· Related Electrical Statutes and Rules</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Wiring Methods and Electrical Devices and Components</li> <li>· Conduit Systems, Raceways and Boxes</li> <li>· Foundations and Steel Structures</li> <li>· Metal Fabrication and Welding</li> </ul>
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**WAGE SCHEDULE:**

Apprentice wages are based upon the average wage for journey workers employed by participating training employers. The journey worker wage as of June 1, 2025, is \$36.50. Apprentices are paid a progressive percentage of that average journey wage as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup>	1,000-hour period	50% of average wage
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1,000-hour period	55% of average wage
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1,000-hour period	60% of average wage
4 <sup>th</sup>	1,000-hour period	65% of average wage
5 <sup>th</sup>	1,000-hour period	70% of average wage
6 <sup>th</sup>	1,000-hour period	75% of average wage
7 <sup>th</sup>	1,000-hour period	80% of average wage
8 <sup>th</sup>	1,000-hour period	85% of average wage

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