

May 7, 2020

Dear DARLENE ANN,

UA Local 669 is grateful to install, inspect and maintain Life Safety Systems. Our Apprenticeship Program has been around for over 100 Years and we are approved by the Federal Department of Labor and New York State Department of Labor. We are continuing to work and support the economy and infrastructure build in our great state.

However, due to the Corona Virus COVID19 we have not conducted the March and May apprenticeship interviews. Please look for forthcoming information! In the meantime, we are performing essential work and within the next 9 days we believe Local 669 will be at 90% employment.

As your students graduate, I wanted to get them my contact information with the flyer attached. We anticipate a boomerang over the next couple of months and will have opportunity. Please have the students reach out to me per the instructions on the flyer.

UA Local 669 is a Road Local of Sprinkler Fitters, with jurisdiction in 48 States.. The JATC is the Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee, which is made up of Signatory Contractors and Local 669 representatives.

JATC's have been around for over 100 years and are America's best kept secret. JATC's are a collaborative effort between organized labor and signatory contractors to train and develop journey workers in a particular craft.

Our program is a 5 Year, Earn while you learn program. **There are three elements to our education program and they are:**

One the Job Training. Apprentices are mentored, trained and developed by Subject Matter Experts that we call Journey Workers. Apprentices are getting paid for their work.

Each apprentice is required to take 19 online courses with a total of 213 lessons over the course of five years. While the courses can be done at an accelerated rate the minimum is 12 lessons per quarter.

Each apprentice is required to take 18 classroom sessions per year. These take place on Saturdays and are held in Syracuse at Local 267 and also in Buffalo at Local 22's Training Center.

As long as the apprentices keep up with the three elements, then they will progress in rank every six months, with a pay increase at each step. In addition, benefit eligibility kicks in at 600 hours. The pension benefits kick in once an apprentice reaches class 4.

Please check out:

**Day In The Life Video < Caution-
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NbgoBJ9SCAY> >**

Women of Local 669 < Caution-<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zx14ufkNflc> >

**Military Transition for Local 669 < Caution-
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F1RHi7uZlQU> >**

To learn more about Local 669- JATC, you can go to our website at [Caution-www.training669.org](http://www.training669.org) < Caution-<http://www.training669.org/> > . This information is also on the flyer. Please contact me if you have any questions at 315-952-6440.

Best Regards,
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