



UA Local 342 Joint Apprenticeship & Training

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*Serving the Pipe Trades Industry of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties
Apprenticeship & Journeyman Training for Plumbing, Steamfitting, Pipefitting & HVAC/Refrigeration*

APPRENTICESHIP APPLICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Plumbing, Steamfitting, Welding Apprenticeship for Contra Costa & Alameda Counties

DATE: **August 1 - August 31, 2022**

TIME: **LINK WILL BE ACTIVATED DURING ABOVE DATES (Check Website for Updates)**

LOCATION: <https://www.ua342.org/training>

IMPORTANT: *Prior to submitting an online application, please carefully read all information within this announcement.*

- ❖ *During application, be prepared to upload the below required documents.*
- ❖ *You will choose **one** of the following trades during application: **Plumbing, Steamfitting or Welding** with no trade changes during apprenticeship; therefore, research is recommended.*
- ❖ *The first 750 applications successfully submitted during the above dates will be accepted to take the exam.*
- ❖ *Duplicate applications will be rejected.*

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

PROOF OF AGE IS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION: Applicant must be at least 18 years of age; *or will be 18 years of age by January 2023.* You must upload one of the following with application:

- Valid Driver's License, or
- Valid State Issued Identification Card, or
- Birth Certificate along with a photo I.D., or
- Passport

PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR LEGAL EQUIVALENT: You must upload one of the following with application:

- High School Diploma, or
- General Equivalency Diploma (G.E.D.), or
- Officially Signed Transcripts, or
- If not yet graduated from high school, Current Official Transcripts

APPLICANT MUST BE PHYSICALLY ABLE TO PERFORM THE WORK OF THE TRADE.

QUALIFYING TEST:

Applicants who successfully submit and meet the above requirements will be notified within two (2) months after application and scheduled to take a two-part written exam consisting of: Numerical Ability (Math) and Mechanical Aptitude. The minimum passing score shall be a 75% composite grade.

INTERVIEW:

Applicants successfully passing the qualifying written exam will be notified with-in two (2) months and scheduled for an oral interview with the Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee.

ELIGIBILITY:

Upon completion of the oral interview, applicants will be evaluated based on their qualifying written exam score and oral interview results. Applicants will be ranked accordingly (*highest scorer and down*), by trade, and will be placed on an eligible waiting list for possible admission once openings become available for the apprenticeship program.

TERM:

A minimum of five (5) years of on-the-job training and five (5) years of school. Apprentices attend classes two-three (2-3) nights per week, with the **possibility** of one (1) 10-hour day of classes every other week for the first two (2) years. Some Saturday classes may apply.

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PREPARE FOR APPRENTICESHIP TEST

CONTACT BELOW ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR AVAILABILITY & SIGN UPS

Benicia

Adult Education

350 East K Street
Benicia, CA

(707) 747-8367

<https://beniciaunified.org/departments/adult-education/>

Pittsburg

Adult Education

1151 Stoneman Avenue
Pittsburg, CA

(925) 473-2400

<https://www.pittsburg.k12.ca.us/paec>

Oakland

Adult Education

McClymonds High School
2607 Myrtle Street
Oakland, CA

(510) 273-2310

<https://www.ousd.org/oace>

Vallejo

Adult Education

436 Del Sur Street
Vallejo, CA

(707) 556-8850

<https://vas-vcusd-ca.schoolloop.com/>

West Contra Costa

Adult Education

2600 Mission Bell Drive
San Pablo, CA

(510) 231-1453

www.wccadulthoodeducation.com/

San Leandro

Adult Education

1448 Williams Street
San Leandro, CA

(510) 667-6287

www.slusd.us/sladultschool/

San Mateo

Adult Education

789 E. Poplar Avenue
San Mateo, CA

(650) 558-2100

<https://sanmateoadulthoodeducation.org/>

Suggested Study Material (Books)

Math

Practical Math Success in 20 Minutes a Day

By Learning Express Editors - Price \$16 (approximately)

Mechanical Aptitude

Barron's How to Prepare for the Mechanical Aptitude & Spatial Relations Tests

By Joel Wiesen – Price \$18 (approximately)

NOTE: Study the Mechanical Aptitude part of the book only.

*The above books and tutoring contacts are suggestions **ONLY** and are not endorsed by UA Local 342, JATC. Please feel free to use any book that you wish. The test consists of two parts: **Math and Mechanical Aptitude**. The math portion of the test is eighth grade level pre-algebra (decimals, fractions, percentages) accompanying basic mechanical aptitude. Go to a bookstore or library and ask for assistance to locate the right study material for you.*

For your consideration: *When taking the exam, the following items are **NOT** permitted at the test area.*

CALCULATORS, CELL PHONES, BACKPACKS, LAPTOPS, PURSES, FOOD OR DRINKS.

HVAC/R APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM: for information regarding our HVAC/R Program
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