

BCA CONSTRUCTION CAREER ACADEMY

March 13 & 15, 2018
Ivy Tech Community College | Fort Wayne, IN



ACADEMY OBJECTIVES

- To educate high school students about commercial construction industry career options and help bridge the gap for them from their classrooms to BCA members' jobsites
- To show students what skills and abilities are needed by professional contractors and how to prepare for a successful career in the commercial construction industry
- To build awareness of apprenticeship programs and formal training opportunities after high school graduation, education essential for advancement in most commercial construction careers

ACADEMY OVERVIEW

The BCA Workforce Development & Education Committee first sponsored the Construction Career Academy (CCA) in 2001. 2018 will be the 15th year BCA has offered the program. CCA is for high school juniors and seniors with an expressed interest in pursuing a career to:

- Build their knowledge of the broad variety of trades and professional occupations used by contractors today.
- Meet with dozens of local construction employers eager to hire young people with the right basic skills and abilities.

CCA has earned a strong recognition over the years as an effective, high-quality vocational opportunity, receiving consistently strong reviews from the schools and our participating members. Enrollment is limited and students hand-selected by their teachers and counselors to participate based on certain criteria. BCA will be accepting up to 60 students for 2018.

CCA is presented in two, four-hour sessions. The opening presentation provides an overview of the industry and discusses roles of the General Contractor. Following that students meet with 11 different trade contractors, spending 30 minutes with each to learn about their particular trades and possibly employment opportunities. Hands-on activities and student involvement are promoted. Students will have opportunities for one-on-one networking with current construction company managers, most of whom are influential in their company's hiring processes. Students should bring their resumes!

CCA offers students strong insight into the exciting world of commercial construction industry careers, the pride that comes from being a professional in this challenging, high-tech industry, and the best paths to become one.

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AGENDA

2018 BCA CONSTRUCTION CAREER ACADEMY Session 1: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 Ivy Tech Community College



8:00 a.m. Setup Begins – Please be setup by 9:45 a.m. Arrival time is optional.

10:00 Opening Comments & Introduction of Presenters Lori Harvey, BCA

10:10 Opening Presentation: Industry Overview & the General Contractor's Role

- Zach Kessie – Michael Kinder & Sons

10:40 Trade Presentations – 30 minutes each
Students break into five groups (10 approx.) and rotate through 2 of 5 presentations

- (trade) _____
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11:45 Lunch (*For presenters and students*)

Thank You to Milwaukee Tools for Providing Lunch!

12:15 p.m. Trade Presentations Continued
Students rotate through other 3 presentations, 30 minutes each

1:45 Most Likely to Be Hired Awards
Closing Comments

2:00 Academy Session I Completion



BCA Construction Career Academy 2017 Program Outline

**Allen County Fairgrounds, 4-H Exhibit Building
2726 Carroll Road; Fort Wayne, Indiana
Session Hours: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**

SESSION #1: Tuesday, March 7, 2017

Provides an introduction to the commercial construction industry and highlights trades involved in the earlier phases of a construction project timeline.

Opening Presentation: Industry Overview & the General Contractor's Role

Tom Werling -- The Hagerman Group

Trade Presentations:

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| • Carpentry | Weigand Construction | Jade Painter |
| • Electrical | L-A Electric | Scott Arnold, Keith Knipstein |
| • Masonry | Fetters Construction | Denise DeMuyt |
| • Plumbing | Shambaugh & Son | Jerod Snover |
| • Steel Construction | James Heinen, Dan Gustafson | LeMaster Steel Erectors |

SESSION #2: Thursday, March 9, 2017

Highlights trades that generally follow later in the timeline of a commercial construction project, although some are involved in beginning stages as well.

Trade Presentations:

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| • Concrete | Brooks Construction | Ryan Shotts |
| • Excavator | Star Excavating | John Hoffman, Lon Knecht |
| • HVAC | Wagner-Meinert, Inc. | John Gentry |
| • Flooring | Jack Laurie Group | Dave Foellinger |
| • Roofing | C.M.S. Roofing | Josh Miller |
| • Sheet Metal | Dirig Sheet Metal | Shelly Crabill |

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