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DATE: SEPTEMBER 2026
TO: OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 132 MEMBERS
FROM: BRIAN BOARD, APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: TRAINING SITE 2026-2027 WINTER CLASS SCHEDULE

Enclosed is an announcement for the winter classes we will be offering to members of our local during the 2026–2027 winter season.

If you are interested in participating in any of these classes, please contact the training site at 304-273-4852. All classes will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis with limited openings.

Class schedules are flexible and may be subject to change or cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances. Lunch will be provided for all participants. Rooms will also be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

The training site is open to members year-round for scheduled classes or for individual instruction on equipment. If you have any questions about the training site or the classes listed in the enclosed announcement, please contact us at the training site.

2026-2027 WINTER CLASS SCHEDULE

I.U.O.E. LOCAL #132 TRAINING SITE

CRANE & RIGGING CLASS - November 9-13, 2026

This 40-hour (one-week) class includes both classroom and hands-on training in crane safety, load chart reading, and rigging & signal operations.

DIRECTIONAL DRILL CLASS – December 14-18, 2026 & February 15-19, 2027

This 40-hour (one week) class includes both classroom and hands-on training covering drill controls, the locating box, and the mud mixing system.

EXCAVATION & TRENCHING CLASS –February 22-26, 2027

This 40-hour (one-week) class includes both classroom instruction and hands-on training, with a focus on highway and utility applications.

FORKLIFT CERTIFICATION

To obtain or renew forklift certification, contact the training site to schedule. Certification must be renewed every three years.

GPS DOZER, EXCAVATOR & GRADER CLASS – March 22-26, 2027

This 40-hour (one-week) class covers Trimble and Top-Con GPS systems and includes classroom and hands-on training in machine operation and troubleshooting. Proficiency with dozers, excavators, and graders is required.

GRADER CLASS – Class will be scheduled at a later date

This 40-hour (one-week) class covers the basics of motor grader operations, including entry-level machine control and maintenance, proper blade positioning to do finish ditching, back sloping, and crowning roads.

HAZ-MAT CLASS – January 11-15, 2027

This 40-hour (one week) class is required for work at hazardous waste sites and is required by many chemical plants and pipeline companies.

HAZ-MAT REFRESHER – January 4-9, 2027

This 8-hour class is for members who have already completed the 40-hour course and maintain current hazmat eligibility. Federal law requires an 8-hour annual refresher following the initial class.

NCCCO WRITTEN CLASS – Recert - January 18-22, 2027

New Candidate – February 1-5, 2027

To attend a study/review class for computer exams or to practice on cranes, please contact the training site to schedule.

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING & EDUCATION CENTER

The International Training & Education Center, located in Crosby, Texas, offers a variety of stationary, construction and pipeline courses that you can attend. For more information on training schedules, or to register for these classes online visit www.iuoe.org.

NCCCO MOBILE CRANE OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

Training is available to help candidates prepare for both the computer-based written exams and the practical exams. To earn NCCCO certification, candidates must pass a written core exam, at least one specialty written exam, and the corresponding practical exam; once certified, the credential is valid for five years.

Candidate handbooks provide key details, including exam content outlines, descriptions of the practical exam, exam timelines, and certification maintenance procedures. These handbooks can be accessed online at NCCCO.org.