



PIPEFITTING APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

Central Virginia

2026-2027

ABC Virginia (ABC-VA) is an industry leader in apprenticeship and craft training programs. Companies that invest in employee development through apprenticeship programs attract a quality workforce of loyal and highly skilled employees, while closing the skilled workforce gap.

ABC-VA APPRENTICESHIP

ABC-Virginia has a long history of providing high quality, student-centered learning with an emphasis on hands-on training. Our goal is to give individuals the opportunity to learn a trade, become skilled crafts professionals, earn a good living, and build Virginia.

Through our educational affiliate, National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER), we use Contren, a competency-based, task-driven, and nationally recognized curriculum. ABC-VA instructors are required to complete a formal certification in order to ensure consistent delivery of the curriculum.

ELIGIBILITY

- 18 years of age or older
- Employed in the plumbing field
- Physically able to perform work in the pipefitting/welding trade
- Must be able to read and write in English
- High school diploma or GED equivalent

RELATED TRAINING

By providing employers with the Advisory Apprenticeship Program Standards, ABC-VA delivers the related classroom training component of apprenticeship.

VIRGINIA WORKS REGISTRATION

Employers must register as apprenticeship program sponsors and must register their apprentices on an individual basis with Virginia Works (formerly Virginia Department of Labor and Industry).

1. Visit bit.ly/vaworks-apprenticeship (or click here)

2. Fill out the Registered Apprenticeship Inquiry/Referral Form. Select Potential Employer/Sponsor as your status.

Virginia Works Phone: 804.786.6030
apprenticeship@viriniaworks.gov

Without this registration, a student is not considered an apprentice in the state of Virginia.

COURSE CONTENT

LEVEL ONE

- Core Curriculum
- Orientation to Pipefitting Craft
- Pipefitting Hand Tools
- Pipefitting Power Tools
- Oxy Fuel Cutting
- Motorized Equipment
- Piping Systems
- Drawing & Detail Sheets
- Pipefitting Trade Math
- Threaded Pipe Fabrication
- Socket-Weld Pipe Fabrication
- Butt-Welding
- Above Ground Pipe Installation
- Field Routing
- In-Line Specialties
- CPR, First Aid & AED Certification

LEVEL TWO

- Piping Systems
- Drawings and Digital Sheets
- Identifying and Installing Valves
- Pipefitting Trade Math
- Threaded Pipe Fabrication
- Socket-Weld Pipe Fabrication
- Butt-Weld Pipe Fabrication
- Excavations
- Underground Pipe Installation

2026-2027 APPRENTICESHIP SCHEDULE

The term of the Pipefitting Apprenticeship Training Program consists of four years or 8,000 hours (approximately 2,000 hours per year) of on-the-job training (OJT), and three years or 600 hours of related classroom instruction. OJT is administered by the student's employer. Related classroom instruction is administered by ABC-VA.

DAYTIME CLASSES

7:00AM - 4:00PM

ABC-VA Central Virginia Training Facility
1600 East Parham Road, Richmond, VA 23228

Levels I and II will meet every other Friday starting August 14, 2026.

CALENDAR

A comprehensive calendar will be provided to all employers and students.

2026-2027 TUITION

Tuition is due at time of enrollment. Apprentices employed by ABC-VA members receive a discount. Tuition includes lab, materials and administrative fees. Tuition must be paid in full for apprentices to be considered enrolled.

ABC-VA MEMBER \$2200

NON-MEMBER \$2600

DEADLINES

Enrollments received after August 3, 2026, will incur a late fee of \$50. Classes are closed to new enrollment after August 21, 2026. There are absolutely no refunds after September 1, 2026.

2026-2027 PIPEFITTING APPLICATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____
SSN#: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____ Cell Phone #: _____ Mobile Provider: _____
Email Address: _____

SPONSORING EMPLOYER: ABC-VA Member Firm Non-Member Firm
Employer Company Name: _____ Employer Contact Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone #: _____ Email Address: _____

CLASS LEVEL: Level I Level II

LOCATION & TIME

ABC-VA Central Virginia Training Facility, 1600 East Parham Road, Richmond, VA 23228
7:00AM - 4:00PM

TUITION

ABC-VA Member: \$2200 Non-Member: \$2600

REGISTRATION

An application must be completed for each individual apprentice. Tuition must be paid in full by August 7, 2026. Applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Signature of Applicant or Applicant's Employer Date

ENROLLMENT OPTIONS

IN-PERSON: Visit us during office hours, Monday through Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM

EMAIL: Sherrie Dickerson / sherrie@abcva.org

MAIL: ABC-VA Central Virginia Training Facility, 1600 East Parham Road, Richmond, VA 23228

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PAYMENT

Name: _____ Date: _____ Tuition \$ _____
Signature: _____ 3% CC Fee \$ _____
Credit Card #: _____ Late Fee \$ _____
Expiration Date: ____/____/____ CVC #: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____