

PROGRAM MISSION

We are committed to a viable, high-quality construction industry and the workforce to support it. We believe that we can create a stronger future workforce by collaborating with secondary schools throughout PA to provide students with industry recognized certification and benefits like building a network of ties in the community through connections with PBA members, local members, local student chapter events and more. This will contribute to successful workforce development for the home building industry and give our members a level of assurance that students completing their training have received the instruction they need to thrive.

SECONDARY ENDORSED TRADE PROGRAM



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The Pennsylvania Builders Association is the voice of Pennsylvania's residential construction industry - one of our state's most vital industries. PBA represents over 6,000 homebuilders, trade contractors, suppliers, industry professionals and advocates for the building industry in Pennsylvania, through legislative action, heightened standards and consumer awareness. Visit pabuilders.org for more information.

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WHAT IS THE PROGRAM?

The Pennsylvania Builders Association, educators and industry stakeholders collaborated to create the Secondary Endorsed Trade Program to increase credibility in the job market for high school graduates and highly skilled builders in the workforce. Designed with students and employers in mind, the program's goals aim to:

- Attract and increase the number of trainees in construction trades.
- Recognize quality construction trade training in secondary schools.
- Ensure national skill standards.
- Form a mutually beneficial school/business partnership.
- Recognize student achievement.
- Expand post-secondary training opportunities and promote career success.
- Provide a quality workforce.

The Secondary Endorsed Trade Program accelerates the placement process for students transitioning into the workforce by requiring curricula that meets industry standards, ensuring adequate facilities for proper hands-on training, assisting in the development of home builder student chapters, facilitating local internships and providing a process for ensuring students can connect with builders.

PBA SKILLS CERTIFICATE

The PBA Skills Certificate is a valuable credential offered to students graduating from PBA endorsed schools. Students achieving a competent, or higher, score on Pennsylvania's Occupational Competency Test administered through NOCTI are eligible to receive the certificate.



BENEFITS TO THE SCHOOL

Offering a PBA endorsed program lends credibility to a secondary school and provides students and their parents' assurance that the school program is superior and recognized by the industry, as well as the Department of Education. After successfully completing the program, students are certified and more likely to be recruited.

- Endorsement elevates the school's program.
- An endorsed program helps with the recruitment of quality students.
- Skill sets for each trade area were created using standards developed by the National Association of Home Builders.
- Program is officially endorsed by PACTA - PA Association of Career and Technical Administrators.
- Schools offering PBA endorsed programs are promoted on the pabuilders.org website.

BENEFITS TO THE STUDENT

- Assurance that training is based on national skill standards.
- Students receive industry-recognized certification.
- Students completing the program with competent or advanced levels are promoted to PBA members for recruitment purposes.
- Students are provided with real world experience and connections in the community.
- An opportunity to receive a PBA Skills Certificate through NOCTI as part of the Pennsylvania Occupational Competency Program.

BUILD A PARTNERSHIP WITH PBA

Today's construction trade students are Pennsylvania's future builders, contractors and business owners. Having your program endorsed by PBA helps students lay the foundation for career success.

The endorsed programs include building/property maintenance, carpentry, construction trades, electrical and power transmission installers, heating, air conditioning, ventilation and refrigeration maintenance technology, masonry, and plumbing technology. Learn more about elevating your school's program. Contact the Director of Endorsement Operations at 717.730.4380, ext. 3024.



PROGRAM TESTIMONIALS

"The PBA endorsement is very important to our construction trade programs. It adds statewide credibility to our programs and allows our students the opportunity to locate employment."

Glenn Meck
Assistant Director
Lebanon County CTC

"As an employer, a curriculum that has been endorsed by PBA and fellow builders gives me confidence when looking at potential hires."

Mike Landis
Landis Builders, Inc.

"The PBA Endorsement Program has provided an opportunity for our students to become more involved in the construction industry. Through guest speakers, attending trade shows and workshops and earning the PBA certification, our students' educational experience has been greatly enriched."

Robert E. Lees, Ed.D.
Administrative Director
Berks Career and Technology Center

"Because of the strong, supportive working relationship that the Indiana County Technology Center (ICTC) developed with the Indiana Armstrong Builders Association, the ICTC has developed a similar allegiance with PBA. PBA provides accountability criteria which strengthen programs, particularly curriculum priorities, to enhance student success."

Carol Fry
Director
Indiana County Technology Center