



# 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**

TO INQUIRE ABOUT OUR **HVAC/R PROGRAM** EMAIL: [JATC@UA342.ORG](mailto:JATC@UA342.ORG) or Click Here: <https://ua342.org/apprenticeship-hvac.aspx>

**DATE:** **MAY 2024** (CHECK WEBSITE FOR NEWS/UPDATES)

**LOCATION:** **ONLINE APPLICATIONS:** <https://www.ua342.org/training.aspx>

**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.*
- ❖ *Applications successfully submitted during the allotted 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 2025.* 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 (*valid for (2) years*) 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>

**Construction Trades**  
**Workforce Initiative**  
**Test Prep Class**

Teamsters 853 Office  
7750 Pardee Ln  
Oakland, CA

(510) 560-6329

<https://forms.gle/gT3HR1nFh56tLoT6A>

**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/](http://www.wccadulthoodeducation.com/)

**San Leandro**  
**Adult Education**

1448 Williams Street  
San Leandro, CA

(510) 667-6287

[www.slusd.us/sladultschool/](http://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, LAPTOPS or any other ELECTRONICS, NOTES, BACKPACKS, PURSES, FOOD OR DRINKS.**

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