



APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR POWER LINEMAN

The **California-Nevada Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee** offers a complete apprenticeship program comprised of home study, classroom instruction, and 7,000 hours of on-the-job training. Upon completion, you will be eligible to receive Journeyman status.

APPLICATION PERIOD: The California-Nevada JATC will accept applications online for 10 days from **April 4, 2022 until April 15, 2022**. Applications can **ONLY** be submitted online through our website and will not be available until April 4, 2022. The application must be completed online and ALL required documentation **MUST** be uploaded with your online application no later than April 15, 2022. The office will no longer accept documentation in-person or by mail. All documentation must be uploaded with your application.

To fill out an application, you may visit our website at www.calnevjatc.org. You will need to click on the Web Services tab and if you do not already have an account with us, you will need to create an account. **You can create your account before the application period opens**, however, you will not be able to fill out an online application until **April 4, 2022**. (Please note: it may take up to 24 - 48 hours to activate your online account).

You must meet the following minimum requirements to be considered:

1. Submit a completed application.
2. Must be a minimum of 18 years of age.
3. Must have acquired a high school diploma or G.E.D.
4. Have a valid unrestricted COMMERCIAL Driver's License.
- * 5. Completed one year (two semesters) of high school algebra or one semester of college algebra with a passing grade.
Algebra must be completed at the time your application is submitted.

*Note: Algebra requirement may be waived, based on the following criteria:

Must have a minimum of 3,500 hours work experience in the trade. Work experience must have included climbing and other trade related work conducive to that of a **Power Lineman or Line Apprentice**. Applicant must substantiate related work experience.

Applicants who meet the minimum requirements, submit a completed application along with all required documents will be eligible for an oral interview. *Applicants who qualify for a direct interview will have priority.* Applicants selected for indenture must complete a five-day orientation and climbing class to be eligible to continue in the training program.

Our jurisdiction covers the states of California and Nevada. Many of our jobs are in areas which require apprentices to have extended stays away from their principle residence. Any relocation, travel, and living costs are at the apprentice's expense.

If you have any questions you can contact the office Monday through Friday, 7:00am to 4:00pm. The office is closed daily for lunch from 11:30am-12:30pm.

THE RECRUITMENT, SELECTION, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OF APPRENTICES IS WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, OR SEX.

FEMALES AND OTHER MINORITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.



Scholarships

Scholarship applications for 2022 are now available!

IBEW 1245 offers a variety of scholarship options, and details regarding the processes and eligibility can be found below.

- [Ayeta Line School Scholarship](#)
- [Sandoval College Scholarship](#)
- [Stalcup Community College Scholarship](#)
- [Survivor's Scholarship](#)
- [Veterans Scholarship](#)
- [Weakley Line School Scholarship](#)
- [Weakley Vocational School Scholarship](#)

Al Sandoval Memorial College Scholarship

Eligibility: Applicants must be children of Local 1245 members who have graduated high school, or will graduate in the year that they apply for the scholarship.

Application process: This scholarship is offered through a competitive essay-writing contest. Applications must be received by the first Monday in March to be considered.

Award: One winner will be selected each year to receive the \$2,500 scholarship, renewable for up to four years, which can be used for tuition at a certified and accredited university.

[Click here to download the application.](#)

Roger Stalcup Community College Scholarship

Eligibility: Applicants must be children, grandchildren or spouses of IBEW 1245 members or retiree club members in good standing. Applicants must have a High School diploma or GED by the end of the academic year in which the scholarship application was completed.

Application process: Applicants will be required to submit two letters of recommendation from a non-relative instructor, principal, counselor or supervisor, and a 500-word essay. Applications must be received by the first Monday in March to be considered.

Award: Two winners will be selected each year to receive \$1,500 annual scholarships, renewable for up to two years, which can be used for community college tuition.

[Click here to download the application.](#)

IBEW 1245 Survivor's Scholarship

Eligibility: Applicants must be surviving children, grandchildren or spouses of an IBEW 1245 member or retiree club member who was current and in good standing at the time of their death. Applicants must have a High School diploma

or GED by the end of the academic year in which the scholarship application was completed.

Application process: Applicants will be required to submit two letters of recommendation from a non-relative instructor, principal, counselor or supervisor and a 500-word essay. Applications must be received by the first Monday in March to be considered.

Award: One winner will be selected each year to receive a one-time scholarship for \$5,000, which can be used for trade school, community college or university tuition.

[Click here to download the application.](#)

IBEW 1245 Veteran's Scholarship

Eligibility: Applicants must be IBEW 1245 members or retiree club members in good standing AND honorably discharged veterans of a branch of the United States Armed Forces or Reserve. Applicants must have a High School diploma or GED by the end of the academic year in which the scholarship application was completed.

Application process: Applicants will be required to submit two letters of recommendation from a non-relative instructor, principal, counselor or supervisor, and a 500-word essay. Applicants must also provide DD214 documentation. Applications must be received by the first Monday in March to be considered.

Award: One winner will be selected each year to receive a one-time scholarship for \$5,000, which can be used for trade school, community college or university tuition.

[Click here to download the application.](#)

Ronald T. Weakley Line School Scholarship

Eligibility: Applicants must be children, grandchildren or spouses of IBEW 1245 members or retiree club members in good standing. Applicants must have a High School diploma or GED by the end of the academic year in which the scholarship application was completed.

Application process: Applicants will be required to submit two letters of recommendation from a non-relative instructor, principal, counselor or supervisor, and a 500-word essay. Applications must be received by the first Monday in March to be considered.

Award: One winner will be selected each year to receive a one-time scholarship for \$10,000. The recipient will receive \$2,500 to be used for tuition to the [VOLTA](#) line school. Following the completion of line school AND 12 months signed up with IBEW 1245 Hiring Hall (or 12 months of IBEW 1245 membership), the recipient will receive an additional \$7,500.

[Click here to download the application.](#)

Ronald T. Weakley Vocational/Trade School Scholarship

Eligibility: Applicants must be children, grandchildren or spouses of IBEW 1245 members or retiree club members in good standing. Applicants must have a High School diploma or GED by the end of the academic year in which the scholarship application was completed.

Application process: Applicants will be required to submit two letters of recommendation from a non-relative instructor, principal, counselor or supervisor, and a 500-word essay. Applications must be received by the first Monday in March to be considered.

Award: One winner will be selected each year to receive a one-time scholarship for \$1,000. Trade school certification must be a union based occupation within the scope of work IBEW 1245 members perform.

[Click here to download the application.](#)

Jairus Ayeta Line School Scholarship

Eligibility: Applicants must live in the jurisdiction of IBEW Local 1245 and be the first generation in their family to work in the utility industry. Applicants must show 1) proof of one year of Algebra; 2) a High School diploma or GED by the end of the academic year in which the scholarship application was completed, and 3) a current valid CA or NV driver’s license with no restrictions (CDL, while not required, is preferred).

Application process: Applications are accepted from March 1 through March 31 for the fall class, and October 1 through October 31 for the spring class. Applicants will be required to submit

- Copy of High School Diploma or G.E.D.
- Proof of completion of one year of Algebra
- Two letters of recommendation from a non-relative instructor, principal, counselor or supervisor, and
- a 500-word essay on a topic related to the Labor Movement and/or working in the Electric Utility Industry. **All items shall be emailed together to GoodJobs@IBEW1245.com.**

Award: Four recipients will be selected each year (two in the spring and two in the fall) to receive a one-time scholarship to attend the Northwest JATC Training Center (Volta) in Oregon. The scholarships will include full tuition, fees, tools, lodging and \$60 per day for meals.

No applicant can be awarded more than one scholarship per year, but applicants may apply for more than one scholarship if they meet the eligibility requirements. Please complete a separate application for each scholarship.

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPTIONS

IBEW International Founders Scholarships worth up to \$24,000 are available from the IBEW head office to IBEW members wanting to pursue a college education. The deadline for submissions is May 1. **[Click here to learn more and apply.](#)**

The Union Plus Scholarship Program offers scholarships to union members, their spouses and dependent children. Since 1992, the program has awarded more than \$2.4 million in scholarship assistance. **[Click here to learn more and apply.](#)**

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1.37 Tailboard Briefing

Before starting each job, the employee in charge shall conduct a Tailboard (pre-job briefing). The tailboard shall be in writing and signed by all personnel involved with the project. The purpose is to involve all personnel to discuss the job process and identify hazards and how to eliminate or control them. Where multiple crews are involved a master tailboard shall be conducted prior to individual crew tailboards. The following items shall be addressed and documented during the conference:

- (a) Each person will understand the purpose of the job. In other words, what they are going to accomplish.
- (b) Each person will understand what they are to do.
- (c) Each person will understand what the other members of the crew are to do.
- (d) Each person will understand the manner in which the employee in charge intends to carry out the job.
- (e) Each person will understand the hazards or trouble spots involved and will know how the employee in charge is proposing to overcome such problems.
- (f) Each person will be aware of the physical location of the job, to relay that information to emergency responders in the event of an accident.
- (g) Each person will know the location of the nearest Medical / Trauma care facility.


Additional briefings shall be conducted whenever: tasks, key steps, the scope of work changes, personnel and/or environmental changes or hazards differ from the original briefing. Additional briefings shall also be held after extended work pauses such as work breaks, weather delays etc.

SCOPE OF THIS AGREEMENT

The scope of the work covered by this Agreement shall be: All outside work on electrical transmission lines, distribution lines, catenary and trolley facilities, switch yards and substations, and shall include:

1. Pole line construction work (whether built of wood, metal or other material); the digging and back-filling of holes for poles or anchors (by hand or mechanical equipment); the moving of employees, tools or equipment; the loading and moving of materials from the first drop, the handling, assembly or erection of all materials including the guying, stringing of conductors or other work necessary on through to the ultimate completion of such pole line work.
2. Steel or metal structures used for the purpose of carrying electrical wires, conductors or equipment (this includes transmission towers, outdoor substations, switch racks or similar electrical structures); the moving of employees, tools or equipment; the handling, sorting and moving of materials from the first drop, the handling, assembly and erection of all materials used on the job site starting with the concrete footing or pad, or concrete anchor, including the assembly of the grillage, on through to the ultimate completion of such structures, except for any low voltage control or lighting work which may properly belong to the inside branch of the electrical industry. Work covered shall include the grounding of all such structures; the stringing and installation of wires, cables and insulators or other electrical equipment suspended from such structures; also the handling and placing of transformers or O.C.B. s and other related electrical equipment.
3. Installing and maintaining the catenary and trolley work and bonding of rails shall be handled in the same manner as pole line, and steel construction
4. Street lighting systems owned, maintained and operated by electrical utility companies or agencies where such work properly comes under the outside jurisdiction shall be handled in the same manner as pole line construction.
5. Electrical underground construction work, where such work comes under the jurisdiction of this Agreement, shall be covered as follows: The moving of employees, tools, or equipment, the loading, moving or assembly of all electrical materials or race-ways, such as duct, from the first drop, shall be performed by workers under this Agreement. This shall also include the placing of fish wire, the pulling of cables or wires through such race-ways, installing and making up of pot-heads, and the splicing of such conductors.
6. In connection with all of the above items, it is understood the scope of this Agreement shall include not only new installation work but shall also govern the repair, maintenance, or dismantling of such structures, lines or equipment, the handling and operating of all equipment used to transport employees, tools and/or materials on the job site, as well as the equipment used to move, raise or place materials used in the outside branch of the Electrical Industry, shall be performed by workmen under this Agreement.

The Safety Flash is intended to provide rapid awareness of a safety incident. Further learnings and corrective actions will be shared as available and appropriate.

Incident Title:	G&W Viper Line Recloser Inadvertent Close
Date of incident:	2/03/2022
Line of business:	Electric Operations
Incident description:	There was an incident where a G&W Viper LR inadvertently closed after it was setup for a clearance limit per standard job aid.
INITIAL Background and Actions:	<p>Background: Due to a recent awareness of a Viper LR inadvertently closed on its own, it was determined that connectorized Vipers must have their emergency yellow handle pulled down after being locked out. This additional caution is being taken due to the recent water ingress issue reported in Critical Production News Flash E-0085.</p> <p>Refer to CAP 122545583 and COE 310045 for details.</p> <p>Action: Until the suspect Viper Reclosers with the faulty connectors can be repaired or replaced, the following Corrective Actions must be implemented immediately when performing the following operations on Connectorized Viper Line Reclosers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm if the Viper Recloser is a Connectorized Design prior to Operating any Viper Line Recloser by performing the following steps: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contact the appropriate DCC prior to operating any Viper Line Recloser. The DCC will be tagging all Connectorized Viper LRs in ADMS. 2. Look for control cables with connectors at the interface between the interrupter bottles and the control board. Please refer to Figure 1 below: <div data-bbox="571 1365 1356 1734" data-label="Image">  </div> <p>Figure 1. Viper Recloser Cable Connectors</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Verify the Serial Number of the Recloser. Please refer to the Connectorized Viper LR List for a list of impacted LR Serial Numbers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • De-energize a Connectorized Viper LR: Follow TD-2908P-01-JA163 which includes a requirement to pull the Yellow Handle to the Down Position in Step 10.

Operating the Yellow Handle will prevent the LR from closing due to water intrusion in the cable. Refer to Figure 2 below:

- **Setup Clearance Limit with a Connectorized Viper LR:** TD-2908P-01-JA560 has been revised to require Pulling Down the Yellow Handle on both the Nova and Viper Reclosers.
- **Operating a Connectorized Viper LR to De-Energize a circuit segment:** If a Viper LR is operated locally or remotely via SCADA to de-energize the downstream circuit, a Troubleshooter or Lineman must be dispatched to operate the yellow handle after the LR is opened and again before the LR is closed to energize the circuit.

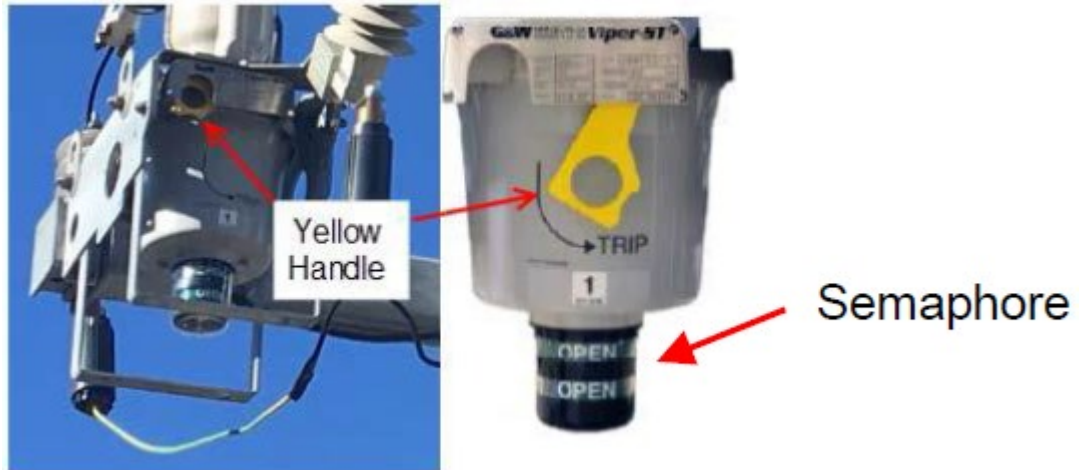


Figure 2: G&W Viper

- **Non Test Setup** is prohibited on any Connectorized Viper LR. Any requests for Non Test Operation (NTO) will be evaluated by the DCC to determine if NTO shall be moved to the next source side device or a clearance will be required.

Standards Affected:

[TD-2908P-01-JA163, De-Energize Normal Closed Recloser](#)
[TD-2908P-01-JA165, De-Energize Normal Open Recloser](#)
[TD-2908P-01-JA560, Set Up Clearance Limits Beckwith M-7679 Recloser Control](#)
[TD-2908P-01-JA562, Set Up Non-Test in Field – Beckwith M-7679 Recloser Control](#)

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