

IN THE NEAR FUTURE

What's In the Upcoming Week.

Next week will include a review of tape measures, fractions, and decimals. These skills are key when completing a variety of tasks on the job. Blueprint making, for example, requires both. Therefore, it is important that each Cohort master the skill while also gaining a clear understanding of how to apply them accurately. So it is, for this reason, we will go back and reiterate these things as training continues. Furthermore, on the job training will be another main focus this week. Wednesday and Saturday students will be on an active job site installing various devices. This includes but is not limited to cutting in electrical boxes, installing outlets, switches, and outside lights. We are also excited to announce that during the absence of our current foreman and assistant, Nakesha, a member of the Cohort, will take on the foreman position during OJT. This promotion can be accredited to her recent exceptional performance during device installations. She will be responsible for checking and verifying the accuracy of other's installations. Such an opportunity highlights SCTC's efforts to push students towards leadership positions!

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Determine what you want
to do. Determine what it
will take to get there.
Commit and discipline
yourself to do what it takes
to position yourself to live
your dream.

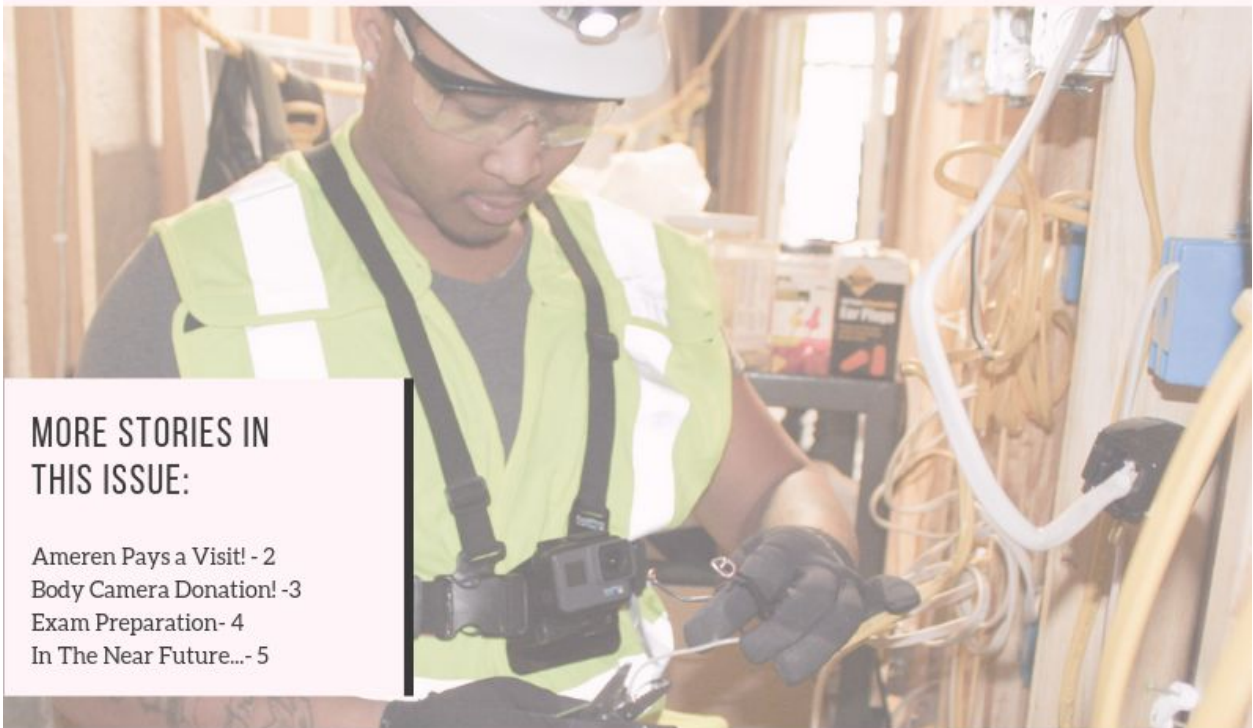
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-Calvin Pitts

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The Newsletter for S.C.T.C



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This week was full of exciting things! Students began prepping for upcoming test dates. They also had a meeting with SCTC's leading partner, Ameren Illinois. This meeting offered a great chance for student's to express their views on personal growth while also absorbing the insights and encouraging words of Ameren officials. We also want to shed light on another major source of support that makes what we do at SCTC possible and even more so, functional, Community Missions Network. CMN's gracious donation will fund the purchase body cams that will be utilized by students as they continue to learn and prepare for employment. Lastly, you can track future plans and found out what is to be expected as training proceeds into week seven on page 5.

AMEREN PAYS A VISIT!

Building a Lifetime Partnership!

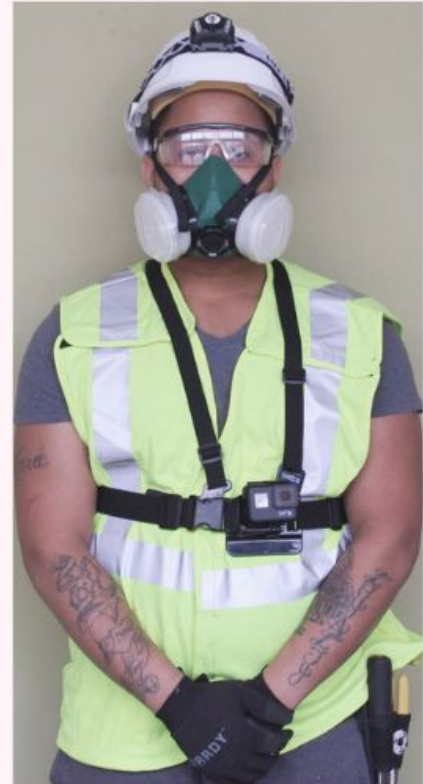
Ameren representative Stephanie Robinson, and Miller Walker director, Erika Dominick, visited the Training Center last Thursday. They treated the Cohort and staff to lunch before sitting in on a class session. This gave an opportunity for the students to showcase what they have learned thus far in their training. Stephanie also took it a step further asking each student to state the skill that they felt would be most beneficial. Daria, especially fond of the blueprint making process, named it as the skill she felt would follow her throughout her career journey. David and Jquarius said the program as a whole, all elements included, is what they personally sought as benefiting. Ms. Robinson followed up with some words of wisdom saying "I'm a firm believer of working hard and working hard until you can't work no more". Her excitement for the program was clear as she stated "I wish I could bring everyone down, because this is just good stuff, truly good stuff, it's amazing... I want to bring Richard Marks down, the president of the company, because I think that's important". All in all, this offered the Cohorts to establish a relationship with some of their biggest supporters. We are all excited about our Ameren partnership here at SCTC and only hope to see it strengthen and grow with time!



BODY CAMERA DONATION!

A Big Thanks to Community Missions Network!

Thanks to the generosity of CMN our Cohort will now be able to track their progress via body cam videos! This is a great element to have because it offers the students and Mr. Pitts the ability to revisit and review one's work. This allows students to see any errors or potential hazards that were present in the process of completing a task that may have been overlooked. It also gives the opportunity to shed light on things that were done correctly and efficiently. Making note of our successes is just as important and empowering as tending to our mistakes. SCTC staff will also be able to monitor participants live as the work. This can help prevent mistakes as it acts as the perfect tool to ensure instructor intervention when needed. This exemplifies how these devices can be used as learning tools to sharpen the skills of each student. However, we've decided to go beyond that, breaking traditional thresholds, introducing compilation video resumes that participants will then be able to present to potential employers. We believe it is one thing to showcase your competency through words, but a complete other to actually show it step by step in various situations! It is our hope that these body cameras will set our Cohort ahead of the competition as they go on to seek employment.



EXAM PREPARATION

Midterm Ready?

Students have an upcoming test that will cover essentially everything they have learned since training started in January. Material including electrical terms and processes will be included. This can be terminology and information regarding receptacles, gang switches, GFCI units, wire size, and more. The second part of the exam will cover material from Residential Construction lessons. This will address the everyday occurrences associated with the job. This includes, but is not limited to, finding the angle of a roof, dry-walling walls and ceilings, insulation, installing doors, and the necessary tools used to perform said tasks.

