Are you interested in a rewarding career in the water or wastewater industry? The Western Virginia Water Authority’s Registered Apprenticeship Program allows you to earn money, prepare for national certification exams and earn your high school diploma. More information about the program is available at www.westernvawater.org/careers under the Apprenticeship Program section or inquire with your guidance department.

**Important Dates for the Registered High School Apprenticeship Program**

**FEBRUARY**

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**Apply Online:** The online application for Western Virginia Water Authority’s Apprenticeship Program will be available online from **February 7th until March 18th, 2020.** Interested students should visit www.westernvawater.org/careers to complete the online application.

**MARCH**

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**Tour:** A mandatory tour for interested students and their parents of the Western Virginia Water Authority facilities will be offered on Saturday, March 7th from 7:30am - 1pm. Lunch will be provided. A school bus will be provided for transportation. The tour will start and end at the Burton Center. During the tour, representatives from the Authority and Roanoke County Public Schools will provide detailed information and answer questions about the facilities where you could work and the expectations of the Apprenticeship Program.

**MARCH - APRIL**

23-3

**Interview:** Competitive interviews will be scheduled the weeks of March 23- April 3 at the home school of each interested candidate. Students will participate in a panel interview where several representatives from the Authority will ask questions of the student.

**APRIL**

Stay Tuned!

**Signing Day:** Students who are selected into the Authority’s Apprenticeship Program will participate in a signing day ceremony in April (date and location to be determined). Students will be notified of acceptance prior to this event.
What is the Water Authority’s Registered High School Apprenticeship Program?

The Western Virginia Water Authority is offering an exploratory Apprenticeship Technician program across all Authority divisions.

The student is paid by the Water Authority for all on-the-job training. In addition to high school classes, the Water Authority will teach additional job related courses to complement the on-the-job training experience.

Both wastewater and water operators are licensed professions and students can earn their national Class IV Operator license during the apprenticeship program and go on to achieve the highest level of licensing in their field. Technicians will become Water/Wastewater Technicians during the apprenticeship program and go to work in many other departments within the Water Authority.

What work hours are expected in this position?

Students will work a total of 4,000 hours over the course of the Apprenticeship Program. This involves the student working 30-hours every two weeks or 55-hours monthly. Students can work more during summer or holiday breaks if they want.

Required Hours as a rising Junior of age 16:

First Year as a junior in High School
On-the-Job Training (OJT): 832 hours (Minimum)
Related Instructions (RI): 140 hours

Second Year as a senior in High School
On-the-Job Training: 832 hours (Minimum)
Related Instructions: 140 hours

Third Year as an Adult Apprenticeship
On-the-Job Training: 2,080 hours (Minimum)

Total OJT Hours: 4,000 hours
Total RI Hours: 280 hours

Required Hours as a rising Senior:

First Year as a senior in High School
On-the-Job Training (OJT): 832 hours (Minimum)
Related Instructions (RI): 280 hours

Second Year as an Adult Apprenticeship
On-the-Job Training: 2,080 hours (Minimum)

Third Year as an Adult Apprenticeship
On-the-Job Training: 1,080 hours (Minimum)

Total OJT Hours: 4,000 hours
Total RI Hours: 280 hours

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