



Potential Talking Points for Field Trip Presenters

Below is a list of talking points that students often want to hear about during field trips from the presenter speaking on behalf of the job site or training center. It can be helpful to share this list of topics with the presenter prior to the field trip. Be sure to thank the presenter and make it clear that they can cover as much or as little of the below talking points as they would like.

- Describe what your trade does and the scope of work.
- Discuss what a day on the job typically looks like when you first start as an apprentice and how it changes as you progress through your apprenticeship.
- Explain the application process/ requirements to get in.
- Interview process? Is it a panel interview? Any tips you have for them to interview well.
- Hourly wages, benefits etc. Do your benefits include domestic partnership?
- What are the dues or costs or fees to be a part of the apprenticeship?
- How often is the classroom training, when is it and for how long?
- How much travel is involved with being in your trade? What distances and length of time should they expect to be gone?
- How do they go about getting work once they are eligible to work? Do they approach employers directly or get called off the list?
- Are there seasons associated with your trade/ lay off times?
- If the applicant ranks too low, can they re-apply and if yes, is there a waiting period?
- What can they do to better prepare themselves to rank the highest?
- How many tradeswomen apprentices to you have in the apprenticeship and in your local?
- Can applicants participate in your apprenticeship if they have legal histories?
- Is there a scholarship loan agreement? If yes...explain what that means.
- What kind of leadership opportunities are there available to women of your local? How do women go about stepping into leadership positions?