



Construction Pre-apprenticeship Program

Chicago Builds is a citywide, up to two-year off-campus construction training program for CPS Juniors and Seniors interested in pursuing a career in construction after graduating high school. Chicago Builds is an Illinois Works Pre-Apprenticeship Program site and offers the Master Builder program in conjunction with City Colleges of Chicago.

Program Offers:

- Classroom Instruction
- Wrap-Around Services
- Student Support Services
- Stipends
- Industry Recognized Certifications (NCCER, OSHA, First Aid/CPR)

Schedule:

Chicago Builds follows the CPS calendar and meets Monday – Friday
8: 30 AM - 10:30 AM OR 1: 45 PM - 3:45 PM

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Apply @ www.cps.edu/chicago-builds

Target Audience:

- Chicago Public School or Charter School seniors with an interest in the construction trades

Eligibility Requirements:

- To apply must be a CPS or Charter School senior student
- Be able to travel to Chicago Builds Campus
- Be an Illinois resident who is 17 or older, authorized to work in the U.S.
- Be on track to graduate by June, 2026
- Attain driver's license



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