# Finishing Trades Institute

# **Finishing Trades Institute of the Great Lakes**

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Satellite facilities: Escanaba, Flint, Freeland, Kalamazoo, Lansing

## **Drywall Finisher Apprentice Program Requirements**

### **Candidate Requirements:**

Minimum 18 Years of Age High School Diploma or GED Good Health (Especially Respiratory) Legal U.S. Citizen Reliable Transportation

#### **Length of Program:**

3 Years / 4500 work hours / 480 class hours

#### **Training Hours:**

One 4 hour day per week after work during training semesters (not paid)

#### **Courses Required During Training:**

Health and Safety for the Drywall Finisher
Intro to the Drywall Trade
Materials of the Drywall Trade
Tools of the Drywall Trade
Surface Preparation
Blueprint Reading
Automatic Taping Tools

Framing, Hanging, Filling, Taping & Sanding Applications

#### **Steps to Entering Program**

- 1. Complete an application at a Finishing Trades Institute of the Great Lakes Facility.
- 2. Obtain a Statement of Eligibility form upon acceptance.
- 3. Obtain a list of DC 1M signatory drywall contractors.
- 4. Apply and gain employment with a DC 1M signatory contractor.
- 5. Be initiated in a Local Painters Union Affiliated with The District Council # 1M.
- 6. Sign up and start attending the Finishing Trades Institute of the Great Lakes.

#### **Training Centers**

Escanaba –116 South 9<sup>th</sup> St. Escanaba, MI 49829 / (906)786-9626 / Cell:(906)399-9797 / Fax:(906)786-9626 Lansing -750 Lake Lansing Rd. Suite C / Lansing MI 48906 (517) 708-7097 Metro Detroit -14587 Barber Avenue / Warren, Michigan 48088 / (586) 552-4474 / Fax: (586) 552-4477

#### **Offices**

Flint - 2817 Corunna Rd, Flint, MI 48503 / (810) 232-0005 Freeland – 7677 Midland Rd. Freeland, MI 48623 / (989) 625-6888 Kalamazoo – 1473 N. 30<sup>th</sup> St. Galesburg, MI 49053 / (269) 323-1001 Lansing Office – 419 S. Washington Ave., Lansing, MI 48933 (517) 882-3701

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