

INSIDER NEWSLETTER

Congratulations to our 2026 IMEA Scholarship Recipients

The IMEA Board of Directors and Staff extend their sincere congratulations to all 2026 IMEA Scholarship recipients for their exemplary effort and commitment.

The Indiana Municipal Electric Association (IMEA) awards annual educational scholarships to students of employees or officials from IMEA member municipal electric utilities.

Recent recipients include Alton Ennis from Washington, Kaleigh Gutierrez from Flora, Addison Wright from Bremen and Samantha Lickey from Columbia City.

IMEA Board of Directors have now also extended scholarship opportunities to our newest L.A.S.T. Lineman Apprentice Skills Training program. Recipients include Luke Wamsley, Lucas Waggoner and Caleb Long.

The program supports students attending accredited colleges, universities, or trade schools.

IMEA grants at least six scholarships for higher education each year.



Alton Ennis, Washington (Vincennes University)
Son of Randy Ennis - Superintendent
(Washington Municipal Light & Power)



Addison Wright, Bremen (Ball State University)
Daughter of Ben Wright - Superintendent
(Bremen Electric Light & Power)

IMEA Mutual Aid Workshop & Open House

Thank you to all IMEA member's that participated IMEA Mutual Aid Workshop & Open House.

Being ready when it matters most.

Members joined IMEA for an interactive Mutual Aid Workshop designed to strengthen their team's preparedness, coordination, and leadership during emergency response situations. This hands-on, five-step program offers utility professionals the tools and confidence to effectively request and deliver mutual aid across Indiana and surrounding areas.

Below were just some of the details discussed during the program:

- Networks are structured and coordinated.
- What to expect during real-world response scenarios.
- The financial and legal frameworks that protect your utility.
- How mutual aid improves restoration speed, reduces costs, and supports your crews.

Beyond our training of the day, IMEA members were able to connect with peers and industry partners at our Mutual Aid Open House.

All enjoyed lunch, built relationships and explored solutions during our informal vendor session focused on mutual aid support.



Kayleigh Gutierrez, Flora (Ball State University)
Daughter of Dustin Gutierrez - Journeyman
Lineman (Flora Municipal Electric Utilities)



Samantha Lickey, Columbia City (Taylor University)
Daughter of Shawn Lickey, Superintendent
(Columbia City Municipal Electric Utilities)



2026 IMEA Annual Business Meeting & Vendor Expo

REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE IN MAY!

IMEA Annual Business Meeting & Vendor Expo provides an opportunity to learn from industry experts and network with peers. It attracts all levels of the Indiana utility professionals and staff from member communities, as well as IMEA staff.

The conference features educational sessions on technical programs focused on the utility industry. It also provides an opportunity to collaborate with other utilities one on one during the IMEA business meeting.

In order to make sure that all guest are provided hotel room availability we ask that you reserve your room ahead of time. This way we are able to keep track of quantity and increase the group block if needed.

We need your voice to be heard & your experience of the Public Power Industry to share with others during the IMEA Annual Business meeting.

We Look Forward to Your Participation!



13 - 15 October, 2026



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- Education & Networking
- Safety & Training
- Legislative, Regulatory, and Limited Legal Assistance
- Lineman Apprentice Skills Training
- Mutual Aid
- DOL Journeyman Lineworker Apprentice Program
- Annual Business Meeting & Vendor Expo
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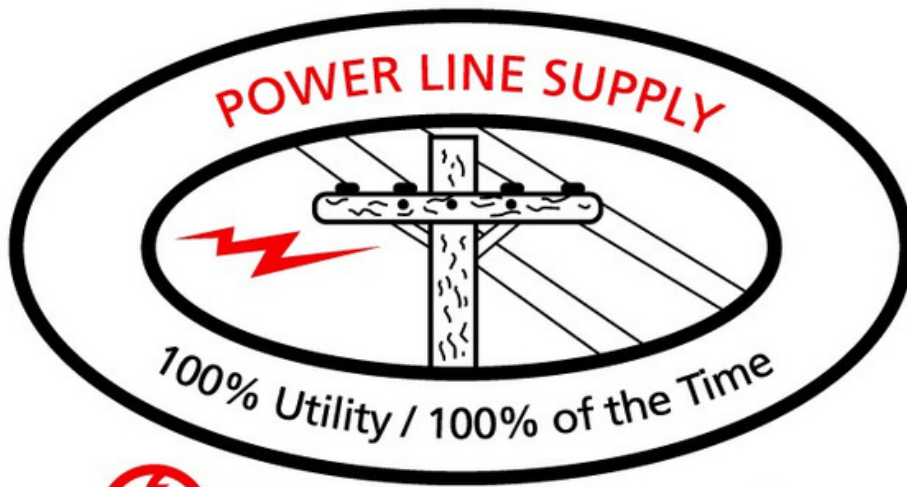
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WHY YOU SHOULD CHOOSE IMEA LINEMAN TRAINING INSTITUTE

- Better Student-to-Instructor Ratio at 10:1 versus larger schools
- Each lineman instructor has at least 20+ years of experience
- Diverse instructor staff. Many of our linemen have not only over 30 years' experience but are well versed in substation, overhead distribution, underground utility construction, and transmission.
- Our instructors are patient, knowledgeable, constructive, and collaborative with students-not adversarial.
- In-house FULL CDL training and testing facilities. This cannot be emphasized enough as obtaining a CDL is critical to job placement, and IMEA makes obtaining a CDL very easy and affordable versus other programs. MOST schools will help you only obtain the permit versus earning the entire CDL. We do ALL of the training and TESTING in-house, on-site.
- Job placement services and career planning services.
- IMEA is a Non-Profit Organization, unlike other schools so we can provide the same training at a significantly lower cost.
- On-site lodging.



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Students will learn about safety working procedures and personal protection equipment.



Electrical Systems

Students will learn the basics of the entire electrical system from generation through transmission, distribution, and conversion.



Basic Electricity

The students will be taught the fundamentals of practical and mathematical application of Direct Current and Alternating Current.



Transformers

Students will learn how and why transformers are used, banked, energized and the various configurations of both Delta and Wye.



Personal Protective Grounding

Students will learn how and why companies work on transmission and distribution lines as well as all equipment and methods used when working.



Rigging And Knot Tying

Students will learn how to tie specific knots, splice rope and learn the proper use of various ropes, slings, block and tackle.

Why Us?

Are You Ready To Begin Your Career Ahead Of Your Competitors?

Our lineman school program will allow you to begin your career ahead of all the rest. Our students have experience performing the jobs of a lineworker, as well as obtaining professional knowledge of the industry while they proceed through our program. Our students are well equipped to stand out from the interview to the actual job. Our program will provide an outlet for electric companies to search for new qualified applicants.

Our students will be able to enter the industry with the technical skills that their employers can't pass up!

Do you want to learn from Experienced and Knowledgeable Linemen?

The lineman school instructors at IMEA Lineman Training Institute have extensive real-world experience in power generation, transmission and distribution. Their exceptional understanding of the industry and what companies are looking for makes our program a cut above other school. Our students will have hands-on experience in the trade and be coached in problem-solving skills in order to help them excel in their work.

Do you want to be able to graduate and have the opportunities for immediate positions anywhere? Then this trade is the right career for you. IMEA Lineman Training Institute provides its lineman school graduates with a listing of municipalities that will be useful in your search. Our instructor's connections with the leaders of the trade will also give the students of IMEA Lineman Training Institute the upper hand at finding a career. Our students will be trained, not only to look for the job, but to find jobs. A career planning class is required to help our students create a resume and learn to find their own jobs.

So is it what you're looking for?



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