

The construction field is wide open to both men and women. This is just the beginning of a lifetime of exciting opportunities that a construction career can bring you. As your knowledge and experience grow, there will be many career choices available to you... craft professional, foreman, project superintendent, project manager, company owner, just to name a few.



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Learning That Works

A Career in Carpentry

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Career and Technical Education

The Carpentry Program

Do you like building, traveling, and being outdoors? Residential, commercial and industrial carpenters construct, erect, install, and repair structures and fixtures. Carpenters are involved in many different kinds of construction, from homes to buildings to highways and bridges to power plants.

Central High School offers two levels of carpentry training blending theoretical and hands-on experiences to prepare students for a carpentry career. In addition to carpentry classes, high school classes in algebra, geometry, mechanical drawing, and blueprint reading are good preparation.

Qualifications

Carpenters need manual dexterity, good eye-hand coordination, physical fitness, and a good sense of balance. The ability to solve mathematical problems quickly and accurately also is required. Students interested in the carpentry program should demonstrate the following:

- Commitment and maturity
- Good school attendance record
- Self -motivation
- Willingness and ability to work independently and as a team member



Reasons to be a Carpenter

Projected Job Growth: 24% between 2015-2022

Annual Median Salary: \$48,756

Certification: National Center for Construction Education and Research Core and Carpenter Levels I and II

Career Advancement: The U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reports that because of their knowledge of the entire construction field, carpenters have better chances than most other construction workers of becoming supervisors (www.bls.gov).

