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ApprenticeOhio Second in Nation, First in Region with over 19,000 Apprentices

COLUMBUS, OHIO – With more than 19,000 apprentices earning while they learn in more than 200 occupations, **ApprenticeOhio** ranks second in the nation and first in the region in the number of apprentices, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) announced today.

“Apprentices learn on the job, and when they graduate, they can earn as much as \$60,000 a year, with no student loan debt,” said ODJFS Director Cynthia Dungey. “It’s a win-win for job seekers and employers alike.”

ApprenticeOhio has opportunities in fields as diverse as aerospace, construction, energy, health care, manufacturing, computer programming and more. Each program includes at least 2,000 hours of structured on-the-job training and 144 hours a year of related technical instruction. For individuals, the programs can provide a smooth pathway to a good-paying, in-demand career. For businesses, they provide a low-cost way to build a workforce with employees trained to industry specifications.

“We encourage all Ohioans interested in launching new careers, and any employers interested in growing their businesses, to explore ApprenticeOhio today,” Dungey said.

For more information, visit **Apprentice.Ohio.gov**.

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The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services manages vital programs that strengthen Ohio families. These include job training and employment services, unemployment insurance, cash and food assistance, child care, child and adult protective services, adoption, and child support.



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