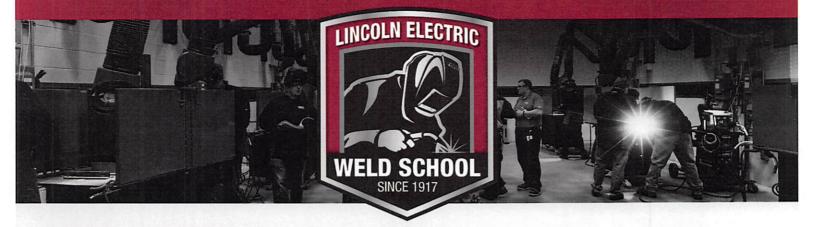
LINCOLN ELECTRIC EDUCATION PARTNER SCHOOLS (LEEPS) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST





To qualify for the LEEPS program you must complete the following requirements:

	NC3 Membership
Г	Register and use Lincoln Electric Education Resource & Purchasing Portal
Е	Equip school with a minimum of 80% Lincoln Electric welding and cutting equipment
L	Incorporate a minimum of ONE Lincoln ElectricTraining System in the school program:
	 VRTEX® Virtual Reality Welding Simulator (VRTEX Transport, Transport+, 360, and 360+) REALWELD® Welding Training System
Г	Instructor Certification Training and Specified Lab Equipment for each NC3 / Lincoln certification implemented
	On behalf of Dow Court College (School name), I look forward to providing my leadership support to meet the above requirements and the campus becoming a committed participant in the Lincoln Electric Educational Partner School (LEEPS) national program in which my welding technology program will partner closely with Lincoln Electric and NC3 to become a welding Center of Excellence and offer the NC3 / Lincoln Welding Certifications to best prepare students for a career in the modern welding industry. Signature Signature Signature Date Date

 $For more information, visit \verb| https://education.lincolnelectric.com/leeps-program| OR email: | leeps@lincolnelectric.com/leeps-program| OR email: | leeps-program| OR email: | leeps-progr$





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NC3 is a network of geographically dispersed schools, industry leaders, and organizations that identifies and establishes standards and develops certification to train students and other educational institutions' instructors in the transportation, manufacturing, welding, building trades, aviation, and energy sectors.

The NC3 Leadership School status is determined by the members of the NC3 Board of Directors. The ultimate control of the NC3 Certification program(s) referenced in this document remains at all times with NC3.

NC3 RESPONSIBILITIES

- In conjunction with partner industry leaders, guidance and assistance for educational institutions in elevating and transforming skills training programs including participation in industry partner Center of Excellence programs.
- Connectivity and scheduled development events for NC3 partners in education, industry, government, and associations
- Ongoing exploration of additional services and benefits for NC3 members
- Authorization of schools and instructors, who have received certification from an NC3 National Training Center, to provide NC3 certification delivery
- Provide turnkey system and curriculum for the implementation of certification training at member schools/colleges.
- Access to standardized and continually updated certification curriculum and assessment tests
- Instructor professional development Train-the-Trainer events
- · Master database for a certified technician registry
- Student certification testing portal
- Coordination of national grant applications
- Determination of new and emerging technologies based on industry standards
- Development of ongoing instructor and administrator training opportunities



MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Member agrees to become an NC3 National Leadership School and participate as a National Leader for Skills Training. As such, Member where possible agrees to:

- Serve as a national leader and model to increase create awareness of the criticality of skills education and assist interested schools in elevating their CTE programs:
 - o Host NC3-organized Visioning & Benchmarking tours
 - o Host events and training for high schools and other colleges
 - o Disseminate updates and best practice communications to other schools
 - o Participate in and present at regional conferences representing NC3
 - o Provide leadership to communities and secondary schools within the college/school district and surrounding region
- Seek to implement all relevant certifications in each NC3 industry sectors offered by Member (transportation, manufacturing, welding, building trades, aviation, energy)
- Integrate NC3 certifications as part of the Member's standard academic programs
- Initial and ongoing participation of instructors in Train-the-Trainer certification training in their respective discipline
- Provide a time line and/or equipment needs assessment for additional certification areas as applicable
- Participate in the development of national training curriculum
- Share knowledge in all areas of expertise relative to workforce training and certification
- Participate in workshops on NC3 program enhancements

INSTRUCTOR STANDARDS

- Member will provide instructional staff that have achieved and maintain certification(s) and instructional delivery qualification(s) per the standards put in place by the NC3 Board of Directors and mutually agreed to by the School and NC3
- Member agrees to periodic review by NC3 of instructional staff and delivery methods for compliance with NC3 course material

FACILITY STANDARDS

 Member schools will maintain training space, and acquire, maintain and upgrade the necessary tools, equipment and resources reflective of a national CTE leader



TRAINING STANDARDS

- Member schools agree to maintain the national training certification standards applicable to the industry sector(s) offered as a result of this partnership and to meet the requirements of any NC3 Industry Partner Center of Excellence program that the Member school participates in.
 - o Current Partner Center of Excellence Programs:
 - > Snap-on Centers of Excellence
 - > Trane Building Automation and Residential Centers of Excellence
 - > Festo Industry 4.0 Centers of Excellence
 - > Lincoln Electric LEEPS Program for Welding
 - > Greenlee Green Apple Labs Program
 - ➤ KubotaTech Heavy Duty Centers of Excellence
 - o **Certification Lab Equipment Standards:** Maintain Certification Lab Equipment designated for each implemented NC3 Certification
 - o **Transportation:** NATEF standards for the School (all 8 areas) and ASE standards for the instructor (Master and L1 preferred by all, if not all, at least 1 instructor of record in L1)
 - o **Aviation:** NC3 will utilize the FAA Part 147 standards as a base Additional standards may be developed that support new and emerging certification areas as determined by the NC3 Board of Directors
 - o Welding: American Welding Society (AWS) baseline standards

MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$5,000 annually plus any in-kind resources as identified below. For school districts, there is an additional membership fee of \$1,000 per year for each additional school/campus. Initial year will commence on Approved Date below. Each subsequent year's membership dues are due on January 1 or July 1 of that year (depending on date of signing).

TUITION: Member schools reserve the right to collect tuition and fees from students and industry technicians, who enroll in certification courses, taught by the School instructors. Member school is not required to remit any of this revenue to NC3 or its industry partners.

USE OF NAME OR TRADEMARK: Member authorizes NC3 to use the institution's name or any of its trademarks for the purpose of fulfilling NC3's marketing activities. Any other use is subject to member's prior written approval.



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