

John Jay Center for Learning launches SkillsTrac Adult State Earn and Learn (SEAL) program

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“The John Jay Center for Learning and the SkillsTrac program are an exemplary model of a program built and supported by area industry. Rusty and his team have collaborated with the key stakeholders in the area to build a program that meets the needs of not only the industries in and around Portland, but the people of Portland and the community,” said Claire Berger, regional director of the Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship (OWBLA). “In my experience, this doesn’t happen very often. Having been involved in the process prior to my current role with OWBLA, I know the hard work and dedication that went into this program. Years of discussions with stakeholders, planning for the development of the lab space, and finding the right resources has resulted in an extremely strong, flexible program. The SkillsTrac SEAL program should be held up as a model for effective adult training around industrial maintenance. I am proud to certify this program as a State Earn and Learn.”

Certified State Earn and Learn programs are Indiana’s state-level pre-apprenticeships. They are designed to deliver work and learn experience for participants along with the skills and certifications that employers value. SEAL programs are geared toward both adult and youth populations, and they satisfy Indiana’s new graduation pathway requirements. SEAL programs are state-certified through the Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship (OWBLA), which is part of Gov. Eric Holcomb’s Next Level Agenda.

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