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### Even More Opportunities to Learn Coming in 2023

TVPPA's Education & Training team has been hard at work and is ready to support you and your team with expanded opportunities to learn and develop your professional skills in the new year.

Beginning in January, we are bringing our **Foreman Academy** to the Middle Tennessee region with classes being offered at Lawrenceburg Utility Systems in Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

The three-track series provides line crew foremen with knowledge and skills outside the scope of fundamental linework. Subject areas include leadership, safety, technical and management skills with a focus on helping participants become more effective leaders and supervisors. They will also gain a better understanding of their role and responsibilities within the utility.

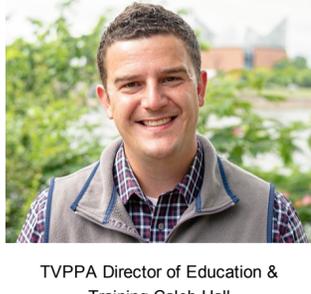
Classes are designed for every experience level from the new line foreman to more seasoned veterans. Individuals attending the Academy will earn a certificate for each Track completed and an overall completion certificate if all three Tracks are completed.

Track 1 addresses attitude and responsibility, OSHA standards, labor law and the organizational impact of processing paperwork and runs **January 23-26**.

Also coming in 2023 TVPPA members can expect a revamped Powerline Design & Staking program. Taught in conjunction with partner Utility Training Service (UTS), this program will consist of four courses rather than the previous six. The new four-course series will consist of three days of onsite instruction (this was previously two) followed by an online final exam administered the following week. By restructuring this program, TVPPA hopes member utilities will benefit from reduced travel and fewer scheduling disruptions. This program will be offered at both CDE Lightband in Clarksville, Tenn., and at Knoxville Utilities Board in Knoxville, Tenn. in the coming year.

To register for these or any of our other programs visit [tvppa.com/training/](http://tvppa.com/training/) or email [training@tvppa.com](mailto:training@tvppa.com).

You can find dates for our **Line Design & Staking classes**, read about the **Lineman Apprentice classes being offered at our Princeton, Ky., training facility**, and learn about our **Electric Metering Lab which provides hands-on experience for our Electric Metering Substation correspondence students** by visiting [www.tvppa.com/tvppa-delivers-even-more-education-training-opportunities-in-2023/](http://www.tvppa.com/tvppa-delivers-even-more-education-training-opportunities-in-2023/).



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### Hot Topics Webinars Resume January 10

Register for Our Federal Funding Webinar with Elizabeth Whitney



Join us at **10 a.m. ET on Tuesday, January 10** when Meguire Whitney Managing Principal Elizabeth Whitney shares key details of the Inflation Reduction Act with TVPPA members during *The Inflation Reduction Act and Federal Funding Opportunities*, our first Hot Topics Webinar of 2023. Whitney's presentation will provide an overview of what is included in this legislation with a focus on funding opportunities and tax credits. Participants will learn what needs to be implemented and the timeline for when programs will be rolled out.

Anyone responsible for HR or accounting won't want to miss our February Hot Topics Webinar, *What You Don't Know Can Definitely Cost You: I-9 Compliance 2023* with Miller & Martin's Chris Crevasse. This webinar will take place on **Tuesday, February 7 at 10 a.m. ET**.

TVPPA members who wish to participate in these or any of our other upcoming webinars should email Education & Training Coordinator Courtney Philpott at [cphilpott@tvppa.com](mailto:cphilpott@tvppa.com).

And for anyone who missed previous Hot Topics webinars, video recordings of many past events can be found in the webinar library in the members-only section of [our website](http://our website). To access past recordings click on the [login button](#) at the top right of our home page, then click on Member Menu and choose Hot Topics Webinars from the drop-down menu.

### New Toolkit Offers Clear Guidance, Tools for Communicating During a Crisis



The value of having a crisis communication plan is never more evident than when disaster strikes. With news at our fingertips around the clock and social media offering a forum for gossip, speculation and outrage, power companies need more than a business continuity plan during a crisis. LPCs need a swift, transparent and authentic response to the audiences critical to their success.

TVPPA's Communications Advisory Group (CAG) and Communications & Marketing team recently developed the Crisis Communications Toolkit. This set of resources includes downloadable assets and serves as a roadmap to help provide power company communicators strategic guidance for handling the earliest stages of unexpected and potentially reputation-challenging events. The customizable communication assets including a crisis communications checklist, a crisis question sheet, press release templates and much more can be downloaded on demand at [tvppa.com](http://tvppa.com).

#### How to Find Our Toolkits

To access these and our other vital communications toolkits, visit [tvppa.com](http://tvppa.com), use the [member login link](#) in the upper right of the home screen to access the member menu, and click on Communication Tools. Bookmark this page for easy access or download the content for future use, but be sure to revisit the page in the future for updated content and additional toolkits.

#### We're Here to Help

TVPPA staff members are available to answer questions and provide assistance with these resources. For assistance, please email [communications@tvppa.com](mailto:communications@tvppa.com) or call 423-756-6511. To discuss current and future toolkit needs, please contact [CAG Chair Marlin Williams](#) or [TVPPA Vice President of Communications and Marketing Nathalie Strickland](#).

### Training Calendar

<p><b>January 10</b> Hot Topics Webinar The Inflation Reduction Act &amp; Federal Funding Opportunities <a href="#">Register</a></p>	<p><b>February 20-25</b> Lineman Apprentice Pre-Apprentice Workshop Huntsville Utilities Huntsville, Ala.</p>
<p><b>January 22 - 27</b> Lineman Apprentice Pre-Apprentice Workshop Princeton Training Facility Princeton, Ky.</p>	<p><b>February 20-24</b> Lineman Apprentice - Lab 1 Fundamentals Emerald Coast Technical College Defuniak Springs, Fla.</p>
<p><b>January 23-26</b> Foreman Academy - Track 1 Lawrenceburg Utility Systems Lawrenceburg, Tenn.</p>	<p><b>February 20-24</b> Lineman Apprentice - Lab 3 Operations Greeneville Energy Authority Greeneville, Tenn.</p>
<p><b>January 29 - February 3</b> Lineman Apprentice Pre-Apprentice Workshop Emerald Coast Technical College Defuniak Springs, Fla.</p>	<p><b>February 20-24</b> Electric Metering Lab CDE Lightband Clarksville, Tenn.</p>
<p><b>January 30 - February 3</b> Lineman Apprentice - Lab 2 Construction Middle Tennessee Electric Murfreesboro, Tenn.</p>	<p><b>February 21</b> Internal Control and Fraud Prevention TMEPA Brentwood, Tenn.</p>
<p><b>February 7-8</b> National Electric Safety Code Review Cleveland Utilities Cleveland, Tenn.</p>	<p><b>February 22</b> Utility Accounts Classification &amp; Principles TMEPA Brentwood, Tenn.</p>
<p><b>February 7</b> Hot Topics Webinar I-9 Compliance <a href="#">Register</a></p>	<p><b>February 23-24</b> Leadership Bridge TMEPA Brentwood, Tenn.</p>

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