

Skilled Technical Workforce Training Program June 23-25, 2020

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Dear Skilled Technical Work Force Program Enrollee,

Welcome and congratulations for choosing the Walsh University Skilled Technical Workforce Development Training Program. Your decision to participate in this program is sure to be one that will enhance your career and provide you with valuable insight into how to be productive in the ever-advancing, technology-infused economy.

Your Cohort is scheduled for **Tuesday June 23 through Thursday June 25, 2020**.

All pertinent program information, including the program agenda, desired learning outcomes and a preprogram assessment are on your cohort's personalized weblink. To help prepare for this program and to help us optimize the instruction, please do the following:

- 1. Complete the pre-program assessment by going to the Survey Monkey link.
- 2. Read the agenda, learning outcomes and pre-course assignments (if any).
- 3. Check to make sure that your Zoom connection and ECN (Electronic Course Network) links are working properly. Be prepared to log onto Zoom by 7:30-7:45 AM on Tuesday so we can be certain that all are able to log on and we can address any last-minute IT issues. You will receive an email invitation to the course with the Zoom login and password information.
- 3. You will be receiving a kit containing some electronics including a "Raspberry Pi" device that will be used in the labs. The units are already configured, but please watch the setup video to connect them to the internet and be ready for the class. NOTE: make sure to run the set-up process and connect to the Wi-Fi in the same place where you will be taking the class.

As a consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are currently limited in our ability to meet in a face-to-face setting. We have worked out a format to accommodate the online experience, but there is always the possibility of technical challenges. Not to worry. Our IT professionals are available to provide you with assistance before the course and will be logged into the course to assist with any unforeseen technical issues that may arise. Future courses designed to take a more detailed look at specific modules of interest will be offered with face-to-face instruction options.

For this course, all instruction will be done on Tuesday and Thursday online via Zoom and the Walsh University ECN from 7:30 AM to about 5:00PM. We have designed the course in smaller modules, and we have built in breaks to help ease fatigue. There will be a team of 5 instructors that are industry experts in their fields facilitating the different modules.

Wednesday is an independent study day and will be an opportunity to hone skills. You will be able to contact our panel of industry professionals directly to ask specific questions and to potentially identify customized ways to apply what you are learning to your work environment or jobsite.

Upon the conclusion of the instruction you will be receiving a Certificate indicating that you have successfully completed the course and all exercises.

We look forward to working with you and are confident that you will have a valuable learning experience!!

Mike Dunphy and Dan Passerini