

# PEASLEE POST

## NEWSLETTER



# PEASLEE TECH

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Peaslee Tech hosted the Contractors Continuing Education through the Lawrence Home Builders Association on November 29, 2023, in THE CRUNCH. There were 80+ contractors in attendance!

### DID YOU KNOW?

You can learn about how Peaslee Tech came to be, where it is today, and so much more.

Look at the Peaslee History on our [website](#).

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Eudora High Cardinal Advisory class visited Peaslee Tech in September 2023. Students learned about the Douglas County Youth Apprenticeship Program for high school seniors.

### SUCCESS STORY:

**Andreia was referred to Peaslee Tech by the Kansas Department for Children and Families. A young, single mother with an infant and a toddler, Andreia enrolled in the Pharmacy Tech program where she excelled. Andreia successfully completed her program and was hired by a pharmaceutical company in a position that allowed her to work from home and care for her children. Within the first year, Andreia became a supervisor and was training other employees. By her second year, Andreia was a regional manager and returned to Peaslee to recruit Pharmacy Technician students for her company. By 2023, she had secured a job making 90K and believes she would not have received that offer if she had not received her Pharmacy Tech certification from Peaslee.**

## Lawrence Business Magazine

“An Alternative to traditional college, Peaslee offers programs that teach a trade, apprenticeships while in training and direct access to the workforce upon graduating- without incurring debt.”

Read more in “The Epicenter of Local Trades” from the 2023 Quarter 3 edition [here](#).

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### THE PRIDE OF PEASLEE, ALL CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS AND THEIR PROGRAM FROM 10/1/23-1/1/24

Degan Kaczor, CDL; Fatemeh Tamizkar, Pharmacy Tech; Reza Tamizkar, Pharmacy Tech; Cesslie Winslow, Pharmacy Tech; Logan Wiseman, CDL; Rodney Theno, HVAC; Paul Finch, HVAC; James O’Kelly, HVAC; Thomas Allen, HVAC; Stephaus Vandenberg, HVAC and Plumbing; Theron Russo, HVAC; Chet Unruh, HVAC; Olusegun Adebajo, HVAC; Aiden Scaplowsky, HVAC; Dawson Thompson, HVAC; Stephen Pittman, CDL; Shawn Birk, CDL

Caleb Gregory, HVAC; Chris Howard, HVAC; Fahem Khettari, Plumbing; Cole Landgraff, Plumbing; Favio Valenzuela, Plumbing; Antonio Martin, Plumbing; Gage Ham, Plumbing; Caleb Harris, Plumbing; Nicholas Aguilar, Auto Service Tech; Brayán Aguirre, CDL; Tristen Kapelle, CDL; Herminia Chavez, Court Reporter (Voice); Austin Lathrom, Carpentry; David Wanzer, Carpentry; Josh Jackson, Carpentry; Tayo Shirley, Carpentry

### NEW CLASSES COMING TO PEASLEE

- **AUTO SERVICE TECHNICIAN** Tuesdays 5-8:45 PM
- **CDL Class A**
- **AUTOCAD** August 13<sup>th</sup> – November 27<sup>th</sup>, meets Tuesday and Wednesday nights from 5:00 - 9:00 pm, 120 hours total
- **RESIDENTIAL CARPENTRY** January 9, 2024 - May 9, 2024, meets Tuesday and Thursday from 5:00 - 8:45 pm
- **BRAKES** February 6, 2024 – April 9, 2024, meets Tuesdays from 5:00 - 8:45 pm
- **SUSPENSION AND STEERING** April 30, 2024 - July 2, 2024, meets Tuesdays from 5:00 - 8:45 pm
- **WELDING** February 13, 2024 - May 14, 2024, meets Tuesdays from 5:00 - 8:45 pm

## Strategic Goals 2021-2026

Goal #1: Provide any Douglas County resident from a low-income household, tuition-free enrollment in a Peaslee Tech program.

Goal #2: Increase BIPOC participation in skilled trades programs.

Goal #3: Recruit and retain staff, instructors, and Board members from BIPOC communities.

Goal #4: Fully developing Peaslee Tech Entrepreneur Crunch as an active component of a county-wide entrepreneurial ecosystem.

Goal #5: Be the dominant provider of training and consulting services to Douglas County organizations.

## BY THE NUMBERS 2023

Served over 2945 individuals in more than 4045 course enrollments at companies throughout Lawrence and Douglas County. More than 2500 of those served were in programs delivered by Peaslee Tech, the remainder in affiliated community college programs and third-party training partners.

### Demographics of Enrollments

#### Gender:

Male- 64.5%

Female- 34.5%

Undefined- 1%

#### Race:

White- 58.9%

Black/African American- 18.2%

Native American- 7.9%

Asian- 2.9%

Hispanic- 8.9%

Other- 3.2%

#### Age:

17-19- 13.46%

20-24- 25.4%

25-35- 34.5%

36-45- 13.46%

46-55- 11%

#### Highest Academic Attainment:

Less Than High School: 1.5%

High School/GED: 56.3%

Some College: 29%

Associate Degree: 4.88%

Bachelor's Degree: 7%

Master's degree: 1.5%

#### Veteran Status:

Yes: 1.6%

No: 98.4%

