

Apply if . . .

- you want a career, not a job!
- you are an 11th grade high school student.
- you want a career without going to college.
- you enjoy making things with your hands.
- you will work hard.
- you will be present and on-time.
- you want to make a positive contribution to family and community.
- you are respectful to self and others.
- you will do your best in school and in the program.



*"Give a person a fish, feed them for a day.
Teach a person how to fish, feed them for a lifetime" Lao Tzu*



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JOURNEYS SOARING IMPACT

A Pre-Apprenticeship /
Mentoring Program



Supporting Dreams, Changing Lives, One Student at a Time!

Get Set For Life!

Success and a career are possible without college.

Journeys Soaring Impact Pre-Apprenticeship Program may be for the 11th grade student looking for a career that does not involve a college or service path. Our program exposes youth to the wonderful field of ironworking. We teach participants the fundamental skills, knowledge, and abilities necessary to move forward with an ironworking career.

Program Length

The program lasts approximately one year. High School students begin their ironworking journey in June of their 11th grade school year. They learn and work throughout the summer and decrease their time to a 2-3 day work schedule when school resumes.

Earn While You Learn!

Journeys Soaring Impact Pre-apprenticeship is a paid program. While you participate in the program, you are paid for the hours you work.

Start your way towards making \$125K!

Graduating participants of the Journeys Soaring Impact program, are automatically accepted into the Ironworkers Local 44 as an Apprentice where they continue to develop and refine their ironworking skills. Within four years, participants will be on the path to earn a yearly compensation and benefits package worth \$125K!

Stephen's Story...



L to R: Stephen Rogers Jr., Barb Smith (Journey Steel), and Rick Tibbitts(Instructor)

Stephen Rogers Jr. was completing his 11th grade year at Shroder High School, in the Cincinnati Public School district. He was an average student preparing for his senior year and graduation. He knew he didn't want to go to college, but he was not sure what he wanted to do when he finished high school. His life changed for the better when he discovered he could learn ironworking skills, while in school, through the Journeys Soaring Impact Pre-Apprenticeship Program.

He was accepted into the program in 2018 and graduated the following year in June of 2019. As a graduate of the program, he immediately began his Iron Worker career as an Apprentice, with a salary and benefits as a member of the Iron Workers Local 44. Stephen is currently working for Journey Steel Inc.

"This program has changed me tremendously. It helped me learn more about myself as a person and open my eyes to all the possibilities in the world. For example I never would of thought that I would end up helping build the Andrew J Brady Music Center. That's something I will always cherish."

Stephen Rogers Jr.

Program Core

Our Pre-Apprenticeship program is comprised of classroom, hands-on, and life experience learning methods.

Journeys Soaring Impact is about more than ironworking, it's about building and supporting the dreams of our youth; your dreams. We build and support dreams; changing generations; one student at a time.

We purposely seek and help students who are not sure of their future. We provide them with the resources and support which affords them with an opportunity to align their gifts and passion with a profession.

Coursework

- Ironworker Career
- Introduction to Ironworking
- Ironworking Tools and Terminology
- Blueprint Reading
- Mathematics for Ironworking
- Safety Practices, Equipment, and Gear OSHA 30/PPE Certification
- Business and Professional Practices
- Personal Financial Literacy
- The Art of Communication and Networking
- Workforce Readiness

Learn More!



Stephen's Story



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