



Indiana Section

American Water Works Association

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To: Water Works Officials, Water Works Superintendents, and other Interested Persons

From: Chris Johnsen, Committee Chair
Indiana Section AWWA Operator School Committee

Subject: **Water Treatment and Distribution Course** Begins in late August for Persons Preparing for Indiana's Water Works Operator Certification Exams.

The Indiana Section of the American Water Works Association, in cooperation with the Drinking Water Branch of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, is offering a water treatment and distribution operator training course this fall. The 12-week Operator School is an excellent way for water professionals to expand their water distribution and water treatment knowledge, and for operators to prepare for IDEM's water works operator certification exams. Operator School participants are eligible to receive up to 72 continuing education credits in the State of Indiana.

This year, Operator School classes start approximately two (2) months prior to IDEM's Fall Written Exam date of November 4, 2021. The classes end after that test opportunity; however, attendees can apply to take their exams through IVY Tech following completion of classes.

NOTE: The required study materials for the Operator School consist of the following four book resources:

- Water Treatment Plant Operation, Volume 1, 7th Ed. (AWWA Catalog No. 20685-7E, or available for purchase from CSUS, www.csus.edu)
- Water Treatment Plant Operation: A Field Study Training Program, Volume 2, 7th Ed. (AWWA Catalog No. 20686-7E, or available for purchase from CSUS, www.csus.edu) NOTE: This book is on backorder with the AWWA Bookstore until the end of September.
- Water Distribution System Operation and Maintenance, 7th Ed. (AWWA Catalog No. 20684-7E, or available for purchase from CSUS, www.csus.edu)
- Water Operator Certification Exam Prep, (AWWA Catalog No. 20517-7E)

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Students are responsible for ordering their own books through the AWWA bookstore (www.awwa.org/store/operator) or through the Sacramento State Office of Water Programs (www.owp.csus.edu/courses/drinking-water.php). In addition, students may desire to order optional study materials from the AWWA Bookstore.

Courses will be offered at the following locations throughout Indiana. Some sites may be combined, cancelled, or moved to a different location based on enrollment or COVID protocols. As guests of the facilities listed below, attendees are expected to follow the COVID protocols of the host facility. Attendees will be notified of any changes. Directions to course locations will be sent to registered attendees and will be posted on the Section web page prior to class starting.

Operator School Location/Start Date/End Date/Days and Times

Evansville: Evansville Water Plant;

1301 Waterworks Road, Evansville, IN 47713;

August 31 – November 18; Tues & Thurs, 6pm to 9pm

Indianapolis: Citizens Energy Group White River Operations

Center; 950 W. 16th St., Indianapolis, IN;

August 31 to November 18; Tues & Thurs, 5:30pm to 8:30pm;

NOTE: Citizens Energy Group is expecting that those not vaccinated wear a mask and that social distancing is maintained.

Jeffersonville: Indiana American Water Southern Indiana Operations

and Treatment Center; 2423 Middle Road, Jeffersonville, IN 47130;

August 31 - November 18; Tues & Thurs, 6pm to 9pm

Michigan City: Department of Water Works of Michigan City Water Filtration Plant;

111 Lake Shore Drive, Michigan City, IN 46360;

August 30 – November 22; Mon & Wed, 6pm – 9pm (CST) (no class on Labor Day)

Mishawaka: Mishawaka Water Division Office;

401 E. Jefferson Blvd., Mishawaka, IN 46545;

August 30 - November 18; Mon & Wed, 6pm to 9pm

IMPORTANT NOTE! Registering for this course does not automatically register a person to take the IDEM Water Works Operator Certification Examination. A separate application for the Operator Certification Examination must be submitted directly to IDEM. Contact Ruby Keslar at IDEM, rkeslar@idem.in.gov, phone (317) 234-7431, fax (317) 234-8106 for more information.

IMPORTANT NOTES TO UTILITIES AND STUDENTS

1. Students will not receive a confirmation notice that the Indiana Section has received their registration form and check. If your form was lost in the mail, you will be allowed to register on the first day of class.
2. All payments should be made prior to class start date.
3. Students will not receive their Contact Hour verification forms at the end of the course unless all payments are made.
4. Some sites may have class size limitations. Please be aware that registration will be on a first come, first served basis.
5. For questions about checks, contact MaryJane Peters at 866-213-2796.
6. For questions about course content or books, contact Chris Johnsen at 219-221-3916. **Books must be purchased online and are not for sale onsite or through Indiana Section.**
7. For questions about the operator certification exam, contact Ruby Keslar at 317-234-7431

Indiana Section Operator School Locations 2021

If necessary, the instructor will provide additional directions to your classroom – class locations subject to change:

Evansville: Class will be held at the Evansville Water Plant, 1301 Waterworks Road, Evansville, IN 47713. (812) 428-0568 Directions: In Evansville, I64W turns into Veteran’s Memorial Parkway. Turnleft at Waterworks Road. The plant is located on the Ohio River.

Indianapolis – Class will be held at the White River Treatment Plant, 950 West 16th Street, Indianapolis. Or Langsdale.

Jeffersonville – Class will be held at Indiana American Water’s Southern Indiana Operations and Treatment Center, 2423 Middle Road, Jeffersonville, IN 47130. (812) 828-8203. Directions: I-65 toI-265E to Jeffersonville exit. Turn left at Allison Lane (3rd stoplight). Turn right at Middle Road (4th stoplight). The Operations and Treatment Center is on the right side of the road.

Michigan City – Class will be held at the Department of Water Works of Michigan City Filtration Plant, 111 Lake Shore Drive, Michigan City, IN 46360. From Interstate 94, use exit 34B to go north on US 421, which becomes Franklin St., for 4 miles; turn right onto E 9th Street for one block; turn left onto Pine Street; travel north on Pine Street, follow curve to the left and then turn right on Franklin Street; north on Franklin, across the bridge then follow right onto Lake Shore Drive; east on Lake Shore Drive to site, which is on the right. From Interstate 80/90 (tollroad), use exit 39, then turn left onto US 421. Travel north to I-94 interchange and then follow route directions from that location. Park in the lot and enter the main building through marked door.

Mishawaka - Class will be held at the Mishawaka Water Utility Office, 401 E. Jefferson Blvd., Mishawaka, IN 46545. (574) 220-1658. Directions: From the US20 Bypass, exit north on to SR 331/Elm Rd./ Capital Avenue north 3 miles to Jefferson Blvd. At Jefferson Blvd, turn west on to Jefferson Blvd. and drive 1 ¾ miles to the MU Water Division building. Park in the east parking lotand enter building at the east entrance.”

Indiana Section Operator School Registration, 2021

Step 1 Register online at inawwa.org or follow link:

Or fill out the class registration portion of this form and remit \$400.00 for Operator School tuition (either credit card or check) to: Indiana Section AWWA Operator School, PO Box 127, Brownsburg, IN 46112.

Step 2 Contact AWWA (www.awwa.org/store/operator) or Sacramento State University (www.owp.csus.edu/courses/drinking-water.php) to obtain the required course material. The required books are listed below.

CLASS REGISTRATION: Operator School (\$400)

Course Location you wish to attend _____

Student's Name _____

Utility/Company _____

Student's Address _____

City & State _____ ZIP Code _____

Home Phone Number (____) _____

Work Phone Number (____) _____

Fax Number (____) _____

E-mail address _____

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***All payments should be made prior to class start date.***

Payment enclosed: Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Pay via credit card: \_\_\_\_\_ (a secure link will be sent to the email below for payment via credit card)

Email address (for invoice): \_\_\_\_\_

