Street Maintenance & Collection Systems Short School

Frequently Asked Questions

How often is the short school held?

Twice a year: spring and fall. We suggest you bookmark the APWA Oregon Chapter Website, for easy access to upcoming short school information.

How do I find upcoming Short School dates and information?

APWA Oregon Chapter Website takes you to the chapter "Home" page. From there, you will see "Upcoming Events" along the right side which lists the first few upcoming events for the chapter, in chronological order. You can click "More Chapter Events" to view other upcoming events. You can also click the "Events" tab at the top, and then click on "Training". If there is an event page for the event you are looking for, it will be in blue font; otherwise we do not have enough information to open the event page. Please bookmark the page and check back again.

How long is the Short School?

Two days: Tue at 9:30 am - Thu at 11:30 am.

Where is the Short School held?

The Short School is held in a variety of locations around Oregon: Bend, Newport, Ashland, Seaside...to name a few.

Are there any registration discounts I should know about?

The Short School offers discounts on full registration for speakers as they volunteer their time for one or more sessions. We also offer complimentary registration for school committee members in good standing that attend and volunteer their time as needed for the benefit of the school. For more information contact the Registration Coordinator, Peggy McCormick, at cameopeg@gmail.com.

When does registration for the Short School open? (Dates are approximate)

Students:

Spring – February 1st **Fall** – August 15th **Exhibitors: Spring** – January 15th **Fall** – August 1st

How many CEUs can I earn at one Short School?

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are assigned by the Oregon Environmental Services Advisory Council (OESAC) based on the technical program set for each Short School. Total CEUs range up to 1.5 for attending a full schedule, the opening session, and visiting four (4) wastewater qualified exhibitors. The total amount varies based upon OESAC approvals.

What is the General Session?

The General Session is the kick off for the short school. It begins at 9:30 am on the first day and lasts until lunchtime (noon). Often the General Session will be awarded CEUs, so we encourage ALL students to attend the General Session.



How much education is offered?

The school runs four (4) concurrent tracks of education. Two tracks pertaining to Collection Systems and two tracks pertaining to Street Maintenance; one of the Street Maintenance tracks is reserved for the Road Scholars Program.

What is the Roads Scholar Program?

The Roads Scholar program consists of maintenance related training sessions offered by the Oregon T2 Center. Level 1 includes ten core classes, RS-1 through RS-10, and the Level 2 program includes eight core classes, RS-11 through RS-18, six hours each. For more information contact their office at 503-986-2855 or T2Center@odot.state.or.us or visit their website at www.oregon.gov/odot/td/tp_t2.

Is there a dress code at the Short School?

Dress code for the Short School is casual/business casual for all sessions and social gatherings.

How can I apply for a scholarship to the short school?

Four scholarships are available from the APWA Oregon Chapter for each short school. Please find complete details on the Training Page of APWA. If you or your agency qualify, please follow the directions to submit your application, also found on the Training Page.

What is required of a scholarship recipient?

A scholarship recipient is required to attend no less than 75% of available classes or their agency will be removed from the eligibility list. They MUST turn in CEU card to the APWA Registration Desk before departure, even if they are not collecting CEUs.

What is the Exhibitor/APWA Social?

The Exhibitor/APWA Social is held on the first official evening of the Short School and is open to ALL Short School attendees and exhibit representatives. In fact, we encourage everyone to attend as it is the networking highlight of the Short School! Everyone will benefit from the social. There are drinks, heavy appetizers, and lots of networking and camaraderie!

I registered as an exhibitor, why do I keep get marketing emails?

Once a company registers and we send out additional marketing emails we click a button to eliminate the email from going to the email address used on the registration. If your company has several people on the marketing list, all email addresses other than the one used for registration will receive future emails. If you personally have more than one email address on the marketing list, any that aren't used for registration will receive future emails. To avoid this open the first email after you register and select the "click to respond" button and decline the invitation to register. This will remove you from future emails for this event only; and keep you on our marketing list for future events.

Do I have to be an APWA Member to attend?

No, anyone can attend.

How do I become a member of the APWA Oregon Chapter?

For information on how you can join the American Public Works Association and for a list of the benefits that members enjoy, visit the APWA membership web site or contact Leslie Finnigan on the Oregon APWA Membership Committee. Check out the benefits offered by the APWA Members Library.

