STEP 1 - DETERMINE IF BEING A LINEMAN IS RIGHT FOR YOU

Being a Lineman isn’t for everyone. Although the job pays well and provides excellent benefits, a lineman/apprentice is often asked to work outside in tough weather conditions, holidays, work 7 days a week, climb high poles (if you’re afraid of heights, you can stop reading right now) and do physically and mentally demanding work. The job can also require a fair amount of travel, in and out of state, which can mean many nights away from home. You must be able to maintain focus at all times as the job includes working with high voltages and mistakes can easily lead to severe injury or death.

STEP 2 - COMPLETE THE APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for the lineman program, you must meet the minimum requirements to apply as outlined in the “Minimum Requirements” section. If you meet those qualifications, you can complete an application with career services staff. Call 918-453-5555.

STEP 3 - INTERVIEW PROCESS

Once you complete the application process you will be scheduled for an interview, you should contact our office in order to determine the best way to get us your resume and/or any other certifications or materials you feel will set you apart from other applicants. It is in your best interest to get those materials to our office well ahead of your interview so we have time to process and review them. If you simply bring them to the interview, there will not be time to review them as thoroughly as possible. When you show up for your interview, you will be given a brief introduction to our program, followed by an interview with a committee made up career services staff and the lineman instructor. You will also be asked to climb up the pole to see if that’s something you’re comfortable with.
Minimum Requirements:

• Must be a Cherokee Nation Citizen
• Must reside within the boundaries of the Cherokee Nation reservation
• 18 years or older
• Valid driver’s license
• High School Diploma or GED
• Be physically fit, (you will be required to pass a DOT physical.)

Upon Acceptance:

• You will be required to pass a drug test
• A background check and review of your driving record will be conducted
• You will be required to pass a DOT physical

To be successful in this training program:

• You must get a valid Class A CDL driver’s license
• You must learn to climb proficiently
• You must be willing to work away from home
• You should like the outdoors
• You must be able to function as part of a highly skilled team and be dependent on each other for safety and achievement
• You should like working with your head and your hands
• You should have the right attitude in order to complete this training program