



Enter Your Apprenticeship in the Annual SDAPHCC Apprenticeship Contest!

Plumbing Division or HVAC Division

Written Testing held on January 19, 2024 at 1pm
in Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Pierre, & Watertown

Hands-On Competition held February 22, 2024 at the
SDAPHCC State Convention in Deadwood

Winning Contestants receive trip to National Competition
at CONNECT 2024 in Birmingham, AL
on October 7-9, 2024

Registration Deadline: December 29, 2023
See reverse for contest details and guidelines



SDAPHCC Apprentice Contest Details and Guidelines

The SDAPHCC hosts an annual apprentice competition in conjunction with its Annual Convention. Apprentices can compete in either the Plumbing Division or the HVAC Division.

Competition Overview

- Apprentices first compete in a written competition.
- The top three contestants in each division advance to a hands-on competition at the Annual SDAPHCC State Convention
- The first-place winner of the hands-on competition in each division will then advance to the National PHCC Competition at the national convention.

Written Competition Details

- Held on January 19, 2024 in Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Pierre, and Watertown at 1pm.
 - Rapid City Location: 3536 Eglin St (Midwestern Mechanical)
 - Sioux Falls Location: 712 E 3rd St (Howe, Inc)
 - Pierre Location: 2315 E Dakota Ave (Wheelhouse Plumbing)
 - Watertown Location: 9 N Maple (Andor, Inc/Taecker Plumbing & Heating)
- Written Test Schedule
 - 12:45 pm – Contestants Arrive and Check In
 - 1:00 pm – Testing Starts (no exceptions or late starts)
 - 3:00 pm – Testing Ends
- IMPORTANT NOTE: Contestants will need to provide a driver's license or other valid picture ID at the time of testing.
- Tests will be graded at a later date and results will be issued within the next few weeks.
- In the case of a tie, the time that the test was turned in will be the tie breaker with the shortest test time as the winner.

State Convention Details

- The State Convention will be held at The Lodge in Deadwood on February 21-23, 2024.
- The Hands-on Competition for both divisions will be held on February 22, 2024.
- Contestants are invited to attend lunch on that day and stay for the Trade Show that evening.

National Convention Details

- The National Convention will be held **October 24-27, 2023** in Birmingham, AL.
- Winning contestants will receive free lodging during the convention plus free admission to the contest dinner, trade show, and awards luncheon.
- National PHCC provides travel funds plus the SDAPHCC provides one free guest plane ticket.
- Contestants will compete against apprentices from across the nation in a written and a hands-on competition.

Contest Guidelines

- Employers must be a member of the SDAPHCC.
- Apprentices must be a second-year apprentice or higher during 2024 and shall not have attained journeyman status.
- Plumbing apprentices must be a registered apprentice with the South Dakota Plumbing Commission.
- The contestants should not have previously competed at the National PHCC competition.
- Contestants can only participate in the state hands-on competition once per division.
- Registration deadline is December 29, 2023.