











The Lincoln Electric Education Partner Schools Start program (LEEPStart™)

partners educational institutions' welding technology programs with the National Coalition of Certification Centers (NC3) to offer best-in-class foundational-level welding certifications to prepare students for a career in the modern welding industry.

LEEPStart programs provide an introduction to welding skills and concepts combined with core foundational-level welding certifications. LEEPStart, designed for instructors and students at high schools, career, technical, and other educational institutions, offers introductory programs, providing the instructional resources needed as a starting point to promote deeper career exploration.



Certifications:

 Safety <i>(Pre-Req)</i>	 WSE Welding Safety Essentials*	 POW Principles of Welding
 FCAW Intro to FCAW	 GMAW Intro to GMAW	 GTAW Intro to GTAW
 SMAW Intro to SMAW	 OFC Oxy Fuel Cutting	 CAG Carbon Arc Gouging
 PAC Plasma Arc Cutting		

*Available in e-learning format

Who Benefits from LEEPStart?

STUDENTS - Provides students a competitive advantage in the career marketplace over non-certified individuals. NC3 certification documents skill, validates knowledge, and increases confidence, allowing students to accelerate their careers and command higher salaries

INSTRUCTORS - Train-the-Trainer programming delivers targeted professional development for instructors, ensuring they know how to work with the curriculum and resources. Instructors gain access to curriculum, guides, classroom powerpoints, student guides, quizzes and exams, lab sheets, and administrative reporting that enhance academic performance. Networking opportunities assist in boosting skills, credibility, and confidence

SCHOOLS - Provides curriculum and resources necessary for standardizing welding education, increasing credibility, and driving graduation and retention rates higher. LEEPStart schools are listed as official NC3 Certification Centers at <https://www.nc3.net/>

INDUSTRY - Certifications earned through the LEEPStart program ensure that students gain the knowledge and skills necessary to become successful in the industry. Job candidates with these certifications are fully qualified and job-ready

For more information, visit www.lincolnelectric.com/LEEPStart or email LEEPS@lincolnelectric.com



Lincoln Electric is a proud partner of the National Coalition of Certification Centers (NC3). Certifications are developed and administered by NC3 and are compatible with other industry recognized certifications. For more information, contact NC3 at nc3.net.