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### PENNSYLVANIA AGGREGATES AND CONCRETE ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES UPCOMING ACI CERTIFICATION EXAMS FOR CONCRETE FIELD TESTING TECHNICIANS

**HARRISBURG, Pa. (Feb. 1, 2023)** – The Pennsylvania Aggregates and Concrete Association (PACA) today announced it's offering certification examinations for those interested in earning their American Concrete Institute (ACI) Concrete Field Testing Technician - Grade I certification. ACI-certified technicians are in high demand. Certification is awarded to candidates who can demonstrate the technical knowledge and ability to properly perform seven basic field tests on freshly mixed concrete.

"This certification program is important to our industry to ensure that testing is being performed consistently and correctly to industry standards," said PACA Director of Certification & Sustainability Ken Crank. "When projects have ACI-certified technicians on the job site, it provides a level of confidence in the test results and improves quality control to ensure we're building the best concrete structures in the world."

Dates for the Winter-Spring 2023 semester of the ACI Concrete Field Testing Technician - Grade I certification exams are as follows:

- February 22-23 - Bethlehem
- March 8-9 - State College
- March 22-23 - Leesport
- March 27-28 - Williamsport
- April 5-6 - Wilkes-Barre
- April 19-20 - Harrisburg

The certification program includes a one-hour written exam, followed by a performance exam where the candidate must correctly perform all of the concrete testing methods. For more information on this certification and to register for an exam, visit:

<https://www.pacaweb.org/certification-exams/aci-concrete-field-testing-technician-grade-i>.

PACA provides a number of different certification exams for the concrete industry. To view future classes for other ACI-certification programs, visit:

<https://www.pacaweb.org/certification-exams>.

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### **About PACA**

PACA is Pennsylvania's leading voice for the crushed stone, ready mixed concrete, sand and gravel, and cement industries' community. PACA safeguards the industry from common threats; expands market opportunities; trains a productive workforce; educates and communicates the value of construction materials to all Pennsylvanians; serves as the gathering place for industry stakeholders; and unites divergent interests into a shared platform for action to benefit the aggregates, ready mixed concrete and cement industries in Pennsylvania.

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