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September 17, 2025 DATE:

2026 PennDOT/NECEPT Aggregate Technician Certification SUBJECT:

Program Course Announcement

District Executives TO:

Attention: Assistant District Executives - Construction

Jonathan A. Eboli, P.E., Chief Engineer Jonathan A. Coli, P.C. Highway Administration FROM:

Highway Administration

I am pleased to announce the 2026 PennDOT/NECEPT Aggregate Technician Certification Program. In response to the FHWA mandate that states establish programs to have qualified concrete, aggregate and asphalt technicians working on federally funded construction projects, PennDOT partnered with the Northeast Center of Excellence for Pavement Technology (NECEPT) at The Thomas D. Larson Pennsylvania Transportation Institute, The Pennsylvania State University to administer the Aggregate Technician Certification course. The Aggregate Technician Certification courses will be held at the Department's Materials and Testing Laboratory in Harrisburg, PA.

Following is important information regarding this coming year's program. If there are any questions regarding the program or the courses, please contact either Michael Matthews, P.G., in the Bureau of Construction and Materials at (717) 787-7268 or by email at micmatthew@pa.gov or contact NECEPT at (814) 863-1293 or by email at superpave@psu.edu. If there are any questions related to the PennDOT MyLearning -Success Factors enrollment, District employees are to contact their District Training Coordinator and Central Office employees are to contact the Highway Administration Technical Training and Development Section via email at RA-PDHighAdminTrain@pa.gov.

All courses will be held starting in January 2026 and ending in March Schedule:

2026. All courses will be held in person.

The course schedule, NECEPT FAQs, and program highlights can be

downloaded from NECEPT's Internet Website at

http://www.superpave.psu.edu/ under the Training menu. This information is also provided as a separate attachment with this memo. 2026 PennDOT/NECEPT Aggregate Technician Certification Program Course Announcement Page 2 September 17, 2025

Course Fees: The 2026 Aggregate Technician Certification Course fee is \$95.00.

The 2026 Aggregate Technician Certification Renewal Card fee is

\$40.00.

The 2026 Aggregate Technician Certification Retest fee is \$35.00.

Attendance: Each District/Bureau should assess their needs for certified aggregate

technicians and schedule attendees accordingly as permitted in the

table below.

Aggregate Technician Certification Program Course	Total Allotted Attendees
Aggregate Technician Certification Course	As needed

Registration: An Out-Service Training (OST) request is **not** required to attend any

courses under this certification program. See attachment for PennDOT

employee course or certification renewal registration process.

Attachments

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CC: Federal Highway Administration Pennsylvania Division

Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission

Robert Latham, Associated Pennsylvania Constructors

Richard Barcaskey, Constructors Association of Western Pennsylvania

Brent Sailhamer, American Council of Engineering Companies of PA (ACEC/PA)

Peter Vlahos, Pennsylvania Aggregate and Concrete Association (PACA)

Jim Casilio, P.E., Pennsylvania Aggregate and Concrete Association (PACA)

Mansour Solaimanian, Ph.D., P.E., Pennsylvania State University

Brenda Geary, Pennsylvania State University

Gavin Gray, P.E., Highway Administration

Daryl St. Clair, P.E., Highway Administration

Central Office Highway Administration Bureau Directors

Shane Rice, Policy Office

Brent Trivelpiece, Bureau of Construction and Materials

Garth Bridenbaugh, P.E., Bureau of Construction and Materials

Timothy Ramirez, P.E., Bureau of Construction and Materials

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Matthew Briggs, Bureau of Construction and Materials

Michael Matthews, P.G., Bureau of Construction and Materials

Craig Stouten, Bureau of Construction and Materials

Lorraine Bennett, Bureau of Construction and Materials

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Kimberly Rice, Technical Training and Development
District Materials Engineers/Managers (PD-District Materials Managers)
PennDOT Bureau Training Coordinators (PD-Training Coordinators (Bureau))
PennDOT District Training Coordinators (PD-Training Coordinators (District))
Construction Unit Secretaries (PD-Construction Unit Secretaries)
District Fiscal Officers (PD-Dist Fiscal & Asst Officers)

Attachment

2026 PennDOT/NECEPT Aggregate Technician Certification Program PennDOT Employee Certification Course and Certification Registration, My Learning - Success Factors, & Payment Process

PennDOT Employee Course and Certification Registration Process:

The following process is to be followed for each proposed attendee:

- 1. An Out Service Training (OST) Request is <u>NOT</u> required for the Aggregate Technician Certification Courses.
- 2. To be <u>officially registered</u> for a course, certification renewal, or exam retest, a participant must:
 - Complete the online registration at http://www.superpave.psu.edu/ (under the menu item for "Training").
 - No hardcopy course application forms are being accepted by NECEPT for the 2026 courses.
 - All PennDOT employee course registrations (online registrations) for all requested courses (course start dates January through March) are <u>strongly encouraged</u> to be submitted to NECEPT <u>by November 26, 2025 (day before the Thanksgiving Day Holiday)</u>, but ultimately, all course registrations <u>must</u> be submitted to NECEPT **no later than 15 <u>business</u> days before the course start date**.
- 3. Upon receiving the course registration confirmation email from NECEPT that the individual is officially registered for a specific course and course date, a copy of the confirmation email <u>MUST</u> be forwarded to the Bureau/District Training Coordinator with a <u>REQUEST</u> for enrollment in My Learning Success Factors for their particular course and course date. The enrollment request may require completion of the <u>Highway Admin Training Enrollment Form</u> (Central Office employees).
- 4. After receiving an individual PennDOT employee's registration confirmation email from NECEPT and a My Learning - Success Factors enrollment request, the Bureau/District Training Coordinator will register the PennDOT employee in My Learning - Success Factors for the appropriate course and course date. Registration in My Learning -Success Factors must occur before the course start date. My Learning - Success Factors registration is <u>not</u> required for certification renewal or exam retests. The My Learning - Success Factors Course Code for the Aggregate Technician Certification Course is <u>78TECH400317</u>.
- 5. The roster in My Learning Success Factors will be used to verify and approve payment of invoices received from NECEPT for each course and course date, and each organization attendee listed for that course and course date.
- 6. Travel arrangements including lodging (if necessary) will also be coordinated at the Bureau/District level. The travel policy, as it relates to group bookings, does not apply to these NECEPT aggregate technician certification courses.

Please note, PennDOT applicants have the option to not submit payment at the time of online registration. NECEPT will direct bill each District/Bureau for the PennDOT attendees

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that completed the certification courses or certifications at the end of the certification season. NECEPT invoices are to be paid at the District/Bureau level. Districts/Bureaus also have the option to submit payment at the time of online registration by working with their District/Bureau Fiscal Officers and Training Coordinators to online register and submit payment at the same time.