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**KEEFE TECH ELECTRICAL STUDENTS ATTEND I.B.E.W. OPEN HOUSE**

**Framingham, MA-** On November 18<sup>th</sup>, ten students from Keefe Technical School's Electrical program participated in the I.B.E.W. (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers), Local 103 Annual Open House at their training center in Dorchester.

Seniors Mike Boyd, Tim Chapman, Steve Centola, Jon Hernandez, Josh Leal, Nate Leonel, Sean McDonough, Jon Neto, Aaron Paecht, and Andrew Robertson attended the Open House accompanied by Keefe Electrical instructor, Ken Webb.

"The I.B.E.W. Open House allows senior electrical students an opportunity to tour the training center and hear JATC (Joint Apprentice Training Center) administrators, Union Officials, and contractors speak about the benefits of being a union member," said Webb. "The students also had the opportunity to sign up for the JATC Program while there," he added.

According to Local 103's Web site, "The mission of Local 103, I.B.E.W., is a simple one – to provide the most skilled and productive workforce in the world, while at the same time protecting the rights and benefits of every worker. Our success in training and developing workers who deliver on-time and on-budget projects while fostering a safe working environment speaks for itself. Our members and contractors have been literally lighting the skyline of Eastern Massachusetts for over 100 years."

"We watched a presentation, took a tour of the center, and checked out the classes. It was really informative," said Keefe senior Nate Leonel.

Keefe Tech's Electrical Program covers commercial, industrial, and residential wiring of old and new buildings. The course of study provides the student with the knowledge of how a building is constructed and wired. Residential wiring is just one segment of the electrical course of study. Keefe emphasizes residential wiring by completing all the electrical work for their annual house-building project as well as remodeling projects for municipal and nonprofit organizations throughout the district. This project familiarizes students with blueprints for location of outlets and the type of wiring methods that will satisfy the Massachusetts Electrical Code.

Keefe Technical School, located in Framingham, MA, is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. In addition to 13 different vocational programs, Keefe Tech offers a complete college preparatory program to students from the communities of Ashland, Framingham, Holliston, Hopkinton, and Natick.

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