

Frequently Asked Questions / AUTO-BODY

ADULTS

What schools offer Auto-Body?

The Adult Auto-Body Programs are offered at the following locations:

Miami Lakes Educational Center
Robert Morgan Educational Center
South Dade Educational Center (JOB CORPS)

Are the programs certified?

Each program is taught by Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) instructors and the programs are

National Automotive Training and Education Foundation (NATEF) certified. Students completing the program will receive a Certificate of Completion and at least one ASE Certificate.

What days and times do the classes meet?

Typically the classes meet Monday – Friday in the morning and afternoon for five hours per day. As

enrollment increases, evening classes or special classes may be opened to accommodate the community needs. Classes are also available to meet the Miami-Dade County licensing requirement of 16 hours of continuing education per year for practicing Auto-Body Technicians.

How long is the program?

The program length is 1400 hours. That's about a year and one half. On-the-Job Training is available when 50% of the competencies are mastered and you're placed with an employer.

What are the prerequisites?

No prior experience is required. The program is based on student interest and a desire to make Auto-Body repair your professional career. The program is open to men, women, and veterans.

What does the Auto-Body program cost?

The cost of the program is based on the State of Florida mandated rate of \$2.56 per contact hour. (rates quoted are for the 2012-13 school year) The total cost of the entire program including books and supplies is approximately \$4600.00. There may be an additional cost for ASE tests. Financial Aid is available to those who qualify. Please see a school counselor.

Where will I get a job?

Miami-Dade County Public Schools uses all resources available to them in the placement of students.

HIGH SCHOOL

What high schools offer Auto-Body?

Currently the Auto-Body Program is offered to students at the following locations:

Miami Carol City Senior High School

Miami Jackson Senior High School

Miami Lakes Senior High School

Robert Morgan Senior High School

Is this program required for graduation?

This is an elective course based on student interest and can be used as an elective credit towards graduation. Students completing the program will receive a Certificate Of Completion and at least one ASE Certificate.

What grades are eligible?

This program is available to boys and girls in grades 9-12.

How long is the program?

The program consists of 9 annual courses over a four year period which a student can complete through block scheduling.

How much does the program cost?

There is no cost to high school students for tuition and books. However, there may be a material fee or cost associated with safety goggles, shoes, clothing, etc. There may also be a cost for the ASE test.

Will the school assist me in finding a job?

When a student masters 50% of the competencies, they are eligible for On-the-Job Training and can be placed with an employer. Miami-Dade County Public Schools will use its resources to assist students in locating job opportunities.

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