

Motor Grader Training

Training Opportunities Available by Request

Overview

Maintaining the surface of an unpaved road requires that the operator use a combination of skills, abilities, knowledge, techniques, and attitudes that are acquired over a period of time. All operators need to work constantly at improving in all of these areas. They also need to practice new methods and ideas that will sharpen their skills and abilities.

This workshop is specifically intended for local road agency employees and will provide a hands-on introduction to several core components of maintaining local roads. Topics include:

- Parts of a Road
- Grader Operation
- Grader Preventive Maintenance
- Safety Procedures
- Maintaining Gravel Roads

Following the scheduling of a session, the agency will work directly with the instructor to determine start and end times.

Registration

The cost to host is \$525 per eight hour session. Each session may have up to four attendees. Depending on the availability of participants and type of grader controls, multiple local road agencies may attend the same session and share the cost of hosting the training.

The agency is responsible for providing the motor grader, suitable roads, work zone control, etc.

Sessions must be scheduled in advance.

Arrange a session by calling (906) 487-2102.

Questions? Contact John Kiefer at jakiefer@mtu.edu

Instructor

Jeff Shook started his career as a mechanic at the Genesee CRC. After seven years, an operator position opened up, and he volunteered for the job. Jeff retired from the Genesee CRC at the beginning of 2014 after 18 years as an operator. Over the years, he has run a variety of grader types including Champions, H-Series, Caterpillars, and joystick controlled M-Series Caterpillars. This is Jeff's second year as a motor grader training instructor.