



MFPA LOGGING SCHOOL

Missouri Forest Products Association Logging School gives you the skills needed to succeed in the logging industry.

**FOREST MANAGEMENT • TIMBER HARVESTING
MARKETING • UTILIZATION**



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MFPA TIMBER HARVESTING CERTIFICATE

The Missouri Forest Products Association Logging School is now accepting applications for the 2018 sessions which will be hosted at The Camp at Lake Wappapello. The Logging School is a 10-week course of study where you are able to stay at The Camp throughout the week in modern cabins with separate bedrooms. The logging school tuition covers your personal protective equipment, week day lodging/meals, instruction, and logging equipment for the 10-week training period. The spring session will begin on May 30, 2018 and end August 3, 2018.

You will learn the logging profession in mixture of classroom and outdoor logging environment. You will graduate with an education that will prepare you to become a competent member of an existing logging company while understanding what it takes to run a logging company. You will learn the business side of logging while also developing the skills required to operate and maintain the equipment used in commercial logging. Upon completing the course, you will graduate with MFPA Logging School Certificate plus the Professional Timber Harvester certification which is essential for career growth.

The MFPA Logging School is a “hands on” program where you will operate logging equipment during your time in the field. Professionals in the industry will be delivering the instruction throughout the 10-week session so you will learn from professional loggers, certified foresters, and leaders in the timber industry. A maximum of 12 students per session will be accepted into the program to maximize the student to instructor ratio for depth of instruction and safety.

The logging profession is an exciting and rewarding career but can also be a hazardous one. The MFPA Logging School was designed around learning how to safely harvest timber by following management practices which ensure the sustainability and long-term health of our forests.

To receive additional information, application materials, tuition assistance, and scholarship opportunities please contact Fred Smith, Logging School Manager, by email fred@moforest.org, call/text at 573-619-4494, or you can visit <http://moforest.org/logging-school/> for more information and complete the online application.

Curriculum Components

Classroom

- Dendrology (tree identification)
- Log specifications & grades for all major products
- Silviculture and Forest Management
- Chain saw maintenance
- Land survey system
- Map reading
- Federal, state, & local regulations related to timber harvesting
- Business management & contracts
- Communication skills
- Personal finance
- Safety & First Aid

Field Instruction

- Equipment operation & maintenance - chain saw, log truck and boom loader, wheeled skidder, tracked skid steer loader, bulldozer
- Timber sale lay-out and close-out
- Best Management Practices (BMP)
- Professional Timber Harvester (PTH) Training
- Log bucking for value & volume
- Log merchandising for value
- Timber marking (includes ID)
- Practical field exercises & experience related to all classroom subjects
- Skid trail & log landing location
- Safety

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