

WEATHERIZATION OPENS DOORS.

It's a career path that offers hands-on learning and an alternative pathway for students who may be looking to enter the workforce immediately instead of pursuing a traditional college career track. Through the Next Door Ready to Work Program, students can start training for a career in weatherization before graduation—helping them build a better future for themselves and their communities.

WHAT IS NEXT DOOR?

Next Door is a curriculum designed to augment existing trade programs. It teaches students to look at the home as a system, assessing all the pieces that make homes feel safer, durable, and cozy. Tasks can be small and use skills you may be already learning (updating fixtures, air sealing, and adding insulation). Together, they add up to a real change for residents, making houses more efficient, affordable, and healthier for the families and individuals who call them home.



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF WEATHERIZATION TRAINING?

This type of work has an immediate impact on communities. For example, The US Department of Energy found that people with weatherized homes have fewer missed days of work due to things like sick days and doctor visits and save an average of \$514 on out-of-pocket medical expenses. This career is a chance for students to change the lives of the folks around them.

It's a head start to a better future. Next Door provides hands-on training as early as high school, allowing students to step right into the workforce after graduation. Weatherization training is a flexible and rewarding alternative that can open doors to a sustainable, impactful career.

Visit WeatherTheFuture.com to learn more about Next Door or to connect with employers for additional career and training opportunities.

WHO IS A CAREER IN WEATHERIZATION FOR?

Weatherization is a great career path for anyone who thrives in an active environment and is looking to make an impact in their communities through a lifelong, reliable career. It's not always easy work; some weatherization jobs require working in challenging conditions or outside in the elements. However, these are rewarding jobs that can lead to so much more.



