

DVEC Lineman Chandler Aarfor Achieves Journeyman Status

Chandler Aarfor, Milnor, recently achieved journeyman lineworker status after completing the Northwest Lineman College apprenticeship course.

The apprenticeship course is an exacting, multi-year course of study, including on-the-job training, book study and testing, required to advance to journeyman lineworker status. The course is administered under the supervision of the North Dakota Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives.

Chandler Aarfor began his career with Dakota Valley working as a temporary apprentice lineworker in the Wahpeton and Hankinson area. In 2017, he was hired to fill an open apprentice lineworker position at the cooperative's Gackle outpost. Last year, he transferred from the Gackle outpost to fill an open apprentice position at the co-op's Milnor office.

Aarfor is a Bismarck native and a graduate of the Bismarck State College Lineworker Program. He currently makes his home in Milnor.

Prior to beginning his employment at Dakota Valley, Aarfor spent a short time working for Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) in Bismarck.

Aarfor will be recognized, along with others who have achieved journeyman status during the year, at the North Dakota Rural Electric Association's Apprenticeship, Training and Safety Conference to be held in Bismarck in 2021.

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