

## Taylor McCaskill

Tradeswomen Heroes Award

Winner - September 2022



**Level of Experience:** Apprentice

**Years in Trade:** 5

**Union:** IBEW

**Local:** 175

**City:** Chattanooga, TN

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### Bio

Taylor McCaskill, 31, is a fifth-year apprentice with IBEW Local 175 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Taylor originates from Anderson County, Tennessee. She is extremely active, even going back to her high school years. She held leadership positions in clubs such as the National Honors Society (treasurer), band (field director), drama club (secretary), and math club (treasurer); she was also active in sports, mentoring programs, her church, and volunteer opportunities.

Taylor attended college at Tennessee Technological University and graduated with a Bachelor of Science. While in college, she worked several jobs including camp counselor, lifeguard, server, tutor, intern, and water safety instructor-trainer, and did volunteer work with a local nursing home as well as her church. She completed these activities all while maintaining a position on the Dean's List. In her graduating year, Taylor received the Dr. Evans Brown Memorial Award for demonstrating academic aptitude, professional prowess, self-discipline, and commitment to leadership and personal integrity.

Upon graduating, Taylor worked as a physical therapy technician and swim instructor. She later worked as a healthcare sales representative.



Taylor was initially accepted into the IBEW apprenticeship at Local 760 in Knoxville, Tennessee. She was elected and served as recording secretary for the Reach-out and Engage New Electrical Workers (RENEW) program and participated in community service and outreach. Later, she married and transferred to Chattanooga, Tennessee. Here, Taylor continues to excel scholastically, ranking among the top in her apprenticeship class, helping earn her an invitation to the IBEW 175 Leadership Academy inaugural class, of which she is currently an active member.

Taylor hopes to make an impact within her local by becoming an instructor. She says, "I hope one day to help train an even better generation of electrical workers." She is excited to see and tackle what the future may bring.

Union. Because of her effort, the Local Union is obligated to submit this nomination.

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## **Why Taylor Was Nominated**

Sister McCaskill is bright and she shows up. She is proactive in her apprenticeship, dedicated to her local union, and is an asset to her contractor/employer.

Sister McCaskill is being nominated as a Tradeswoman Hero for a very simple reason: She naturally demonstrates a skill set and perspective that brings value to our Local