

## **EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES**

#### SHEFFIELD VILLAGE (MAIN CAMPUS)

Ohio Business College, originally known as Lorain Business College, is a private, co-educational institution of higher business education. Founded in 1903, the college was originally located in downtown Lorain on the corner of Sixth Street and Broadway Avenue. The college was under the same management from 1913 until 1980, when the Julia Corporation acquired it. The management of the Julia Corporation then relocated the college to 1907 North Ridge Road in Lorain. In October 1997, Tri-State Educational Systems, Inc. purchased the college, which at the time was known as Southeastern Business College. The name was officially changed to Ohio Business College in April 1998. In March 2008 the college was relocated to the present location of 5095 Waterford Drive in Sheffield Village. The campus is easily accessible from I-90 and its location in the Waterford Development can be reached via entrances from both Abbe Road (Rt. 301) and Detroit Road (Rt. 254).

## TRADES ACADEMY (EXTENSION)

In January 2019, Ohio Business College expanded its program offerings to include trades programs that include, HVAC/R. To accommodate the expansion into the trades, the college secured a campus extension located at 5075 Pearl Road, Lorain, Ohio. This facility is a 10,248 square foot standalone building with five classrooms, open lab with residential and commercial heating, air conditioning, refrigeration equipment, library, administrative offices, and student break room. The trades program that is offered at this facility is the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration diploma program.

## **DRIVING ACADEMY (BRANCH CAMPUS)**

In June 2019, Ohio Business College – Driving Academy moved from Middletown, Ohio to a new location in Dayton, Ohio. The facility is a single floor building with OBC occupying 22,421 square feet. Additionally, OBC has access to ample acreage for the range portion of the truck driving program. This facility is located approximately 4 miles south of Interstate 70 and 7 miles west of Interstate 75. The campus had previously operated under the name of Tri-State Driver Training, Inc. With the truck driver training program, the school became an industry recognized leader in the training of professional overthe-road truck drivers.

In the fall of 2021, the Driving Academy expanded its program offerings to include a diploma in Electrical Applications. The future plan is to expand the trades programs to include an HVAC/R program

# **COLUMBUS (BRANCH CAMPUS)**

Ohio Business College opened a branch campus located at 1590 Alum Creek Drive, Columbus, Ohio. This location is minutes from Route 70 and conveniently provides access to major freeways. With having success in the trade's programs at other locations, the decision was made to offer the Electrical Applications training in Columbus, Ohio. In the future, other trades programs will be considered at this campus. This facility offers offices, classrooms, and educational labs used in the trade's programs. Additionally, there is ample parking available.

#### **OBC TRADES ACADEMY (EXTENSION)**

In March 2025, Ohio Business College relocated its Electrical Applications program from the main campus to a new facility at 1555 West River Road N., Elyria, Ohio. This campus is easily accessible from Interstate 90 at exit 145, Elyria/Lorain. The campus provides 25,200 square feet of offices, classrooms, and hands on labs and with ample parking. The labs are built out to the specifications of the

Electrical Applications program for the hands-on lab work in the program. The future plan is to expand the trades programs to provide the community with much needed skilled tradespeople and bring the HVAC/R program to this location.

#### **FACILITIES**

The campuses have classrooms with central heating and air conditioning. The interiors have diffused lighting, acoustical ceilings, and carpeted or tiled floors. The colleges enjoy a smoke-free environment. Smoking is prohibited in all areas of the building (permitted outside in designated smoking areas only). The colleges are handicap accessible.

Under no circumstances are children allowed in the classrooms or break rooms during scheduled class times.

The student lounge provides for student relaxation before and after class and during class breaks. Coffee, soft drinks, and light snacks may be purchased at this time. All students are expected to leave their areas neat and free from trash. Food and beverages are not permitted in the classrooms.

To help ensure academic honesty, audio and visual monitoring of the classrooms and testing rooms may be performed.

The libraries of each school are open during posted hours. Reference materials must be used in the library. Electronic reference materials are also available for student use and can be accessed through the computers found in computer labs. The excellent facilities of local public libraries are also freely available to all students, regardless of residency.

## **EQUIPMENT**

Each school uses modern and appropriate training equipment for its students including computers, transcribing equipment, and other equipment as needed. In addition, audio-visual equipment is utilized in the classrooms to enhance instructors' presentations of course material.

The truck driving range provides ample acreage for students to master vehicle maneuvers using tractors coupled with up to 53-foot trailers equipped with various transmissions typically used in the industry.

The Practical Nursing and LPN to RN programs at the Sheffield Campus has skills labs that are equipped with hospital beds, IV poles, patient mannequins, venipuncture practice arms, blood pressure cuffs, and a multitude of additional hospital equipment and numerous supplies. The simulation lab is equipped with high-fidelity as well as moderate-fidelity patient mannequins.