



Technician Edition

Technicians are the glue that hold the agriculture industry together. Without technicians, all operations will come to a standstill. An aspiring technician will start their career with hands-on experience in the field or shop, learning how to troubleshoot and repair equipment. As their skills improve, techs have the option to become a specialist in a preferred area or step into a management role to help guide and direct the work flow.

How to Get There.



EDUCATION/CERTIFICATIONS

- Diesel Technology Associates or Certificate
 - Opportunities to learn about your favorite equipment/automotive manufacturer
- Precision Agriculture Technology Certificates
- Airframe and Powerplant Certification
- On-the-Job training

CAREER PATHWAY

Understanding how to troubleshoot and repair agricultural equipment and precision technology provides opportunities across all aspects of the agriculture industry. Honing your mechanical skills while increasing your knowledge in the software that supports all the electrical, hydraulic, and pneumatic components will quickly promote a technician up the career lattice. Entry-level technicians' career trajectory includes Service Managers, Location Managers, Road Technicians, Maintenance Managers, and even the skills to start your own repair business.

What to Expect.



STARTING WAGES

\$40-65K/Year

TYPICAL WAGES

\$100K+ /Year

WORK ENVIRONMENT

- Industrial shops
- In-field repairs
- Office management

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Wrench Spinners

BUSY TIME

Spring/Fall

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

- Troubleshooting and repair skills
- Free and discounted tools
- Independent work environment

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CAREER GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

- Service Manager
- Precision Agriculture Technician
- Equipment Sales

Crop Dusters Ground Crew

BUSY TIME

Summer

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

- Fast-paced work environment
- Opportunity to earn a pilot's license
- Knowledge of pesticide, fungicide, fertilizer mixtures

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CAREER GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

- Commercial Pilot
- Aerial Applicator
- Airplane Technician

Combine Inspection

BUSY TIME

Summer/Fall

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

- Free and discounted tools
- Service truck
- Equipment manufacturer certificates

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