Intensive, hands-on training that will prepare you to confidently fabricate the appliances you want.

Learn to Fabricate Splints from a Leader in Splint Fabrication.
Great Lakes will provide you with the know-how to make all your splints in house. This gives you total control over fabrication, turnaround time, and costs.

You'll receive intensive, one-on-one training from professionals like Dan Miller, CDT, one of the country’s most experienced instructors and technical consultants. All Great Lakes trainers are certified dental technicians and have a minimum of 20 years orthodontic experience. They will guide you step-by-step through every phase of fabrication, from basic theory to technical procedures and construction. To ensure personalized instruction, class size is limited to eight persons.

Your workday at our laboratory is from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 4:30 p.m. with additional evening study.

Hands-On Learning - There Is No Substitute

When you attend a course at Great Lakes’ on-site laboratory training center, you’ll gain valuable firsthand experience – something you can’t get by watching a CD or reading a book. Our proven teaching techniques will help give you the skills needed to put you in control of appliance fabrication. Plus, once you leave the classroom, you’re only a toll-free phone call away from expert advice and support.

About Your Stay

Once your enrollment is confirmed, total payment is required to secure your registration. As a student, you’ll be provided with transportation between the hotel and Great Lakes (morning and evening), if needed. Lunch will be served during the workshop.

The course fee does not include transportation to and from Buffalo, hotel accommodations, breakfast, or dinner. As a courtesy, we’ll be happy to make your hotel reservations at our preferred rate.

Contact our Training Course Coordinator for a training course and fee schedule

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Classes are conducted in our laboratory training center located at our corporate headquarters in Tonawanda, New York.
Our 2 day Splint Fabrication Workshop is...

designed for technicians with basic anatomy and acrylicing experience.
This course includes instruction in theory and construction of upper and lower splints. Participants learn to mount casts on a semi-adjustable articulator using a facebow, as well as splint fabrication and adjustment.

Curriculum consists of:
- Basic concepts
- Theory and construction of upper and lower splints
- Mounting models on a semi-adjustable articulator with facebow
- Acrylicing and adjusting splints with articulating paper on a semi-adjustable articulator

Prerequisite: Students should bring a semi-adjustable arcon articulator to use at this course. Some instrumentation is available on loan by advance request.

Great LAKES Also Offers A Free Biostar® & MiniSTAR® Course

1 Day Workshop

This informative "hands-on" course will help you save even more time and money using the versatile Biostar and MiniSTAR. We’ll not only show you how to refine your current production methods, you’ll also get to explore new techniques and find out about the latest developments in materials.

Curriculum includes demonstration of:
- Upper and lower retainers
- Invisible retainers
- Mouthguards
- Model duplication
- Temporaries
- Custom trays
- Machine maintenance

The exchange of ideas and information between professionals makes this workshop extremely productive.
If you do not own a Biostar or MiniSTAR, now is the perfect opportunity to see a demonstration of the "complete orthodontic laboratory" in one machine. Study the results, then talk with satisfied owners. Prove to yourself the value of a Biostar and MiniSTAR as time-and money-saving additions to your laboratory. There's no obligation to purchase.
Your facilities and your instructor met and exceeded my expectations once again. Thanks to all of you for your kindness and helpfulness. I feel the classes that I’ve taken have been well worth my time and effort. Keep up the good work.

- Tina Barker

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Hamer and Hamer Orthodontics

Other Workshops and courses Offered at Great Lakes Include:

- Basic Removable Appliance Fabrication
- Intermediate Removable Appliance Fabrication
- Orthodontic Lab Soldering
- Spring Retainer Fabrication
- Invisible Aligner Fabrication
- Diagnostic Study Model Fabrication
- Banded Herbst® & Cantilever Herbst® Appliance Fabrication
- Bionator Appliance Fabrication
- Tooth Positioner Fabrication
- Indirect Bonding
- Mouthguard Fabrication
- Fixed Expansion Appliance Fabrication
- Fränkel Appliance Fabrication

New Courses:

- Diagnostic Setup
- Fixed Distalizer Appliance Fabrication
- Removable Distalizer Appliance Fabrication