Ontario Works Employment Training Calendar December 2023

231 May St S Thunder Bay ON P7E 1B5

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
FREE WORKSHOPS Open to ALL Ontario Works Participants FREE Lunch for Workshop Participants	Review the monthly calendar at: www.tbdssab.ca Follow TBDSSAB on Social Media: in	Birth Certificate Application assistance available on site contact your Caseworker for an appt.	Interested in computer courses? Beginner to advanced options available. Contact Amber to register - 766-4087	1 Going to Work Program Ask your Caseworker for a referral
Employability Skills 12:45-3:15 Lunch @ 12:30	5 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Employability Skills 12:45-3:15 NEW – on site 1:30-4:00 Learning Curve 9:30-12:30	6 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Employability Skills 12:45-3:15	7 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Employability Skills 12:45-3:15 YES on site 1:30-3:30	8 Resume, Interview Skills & other job search assistance available.
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11:00- 1:00 Income statement week	NEW – on site 1:30-4:00 Income statement week	766-4087 Income statement week	Cheque mailing date	at 12.00
25 OFFICE CLOSED Christmas Day	26 OFFICE CLOSED	Smart Serve training	28 Are you working on upgrading your education with	29
	Boxing Day	online anytime. Contact your Caseworker	LAEC or ACE? Contact Amber 766-4087 to get extra \$\$	OFFICE CLOSED at 12:00

TBDSSAB Workshop Programs

Drop-in Resume Support: Employment staff are available to assist OW participants to develop a cover letter, resume and prepare for job interviews.

Academic and Career Entrance (ACE): ACE is a provincially recognized program and serves as an equivalency to grade 12 for the purposes of college entry or apprenticeship. Many employers accept the ACE certificate as equivalent to grade 12. ACE courses meet the admission requirements to all Ontario Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology and are accepted by Lakehead University. The Thunder Bay DSSAB in partnership with Confederation College, offers a satellite classroom at the Thunder Bay DSSAB main office on 231 S May St. This classroom is for Ontario Works participants interested in pursuing their ACE certificate. This classroom offers ongoing supports to enhance the participant's potential for success. Currently a hybrid model in class in the mornings and online in the afternoons.

Volunteering - Good Food Box: This program relies on volunteers to sort and pack monthly fruit and vegetables boxes. Volunteers are eligible for subsidies to purchase their own box at a discount. **Community Clothing Assistance (CCA):** duties from sorting and organizing donations. OW participants are eligible for free clothes.

Other Opportunities – if you're volunteering let your Caseworker know – you may qualify for some extra funds.

YES and NEW - Drop in to meet with an Employment Counsellor to learn about the services available at YES and NEW and view current job postings in the community. Appointments with NEW available through your Caseworker.

Smart Serve: Currently only available online - Contact your Caseworker to request funds to pay for the course.

1 day course. Facilitated session along with video presentation and workbook Participants complete a written test and must obtain a mark of 80% to pass. Participants who do not pass are given one opportunity to re-write the test. This program increases awareness for responsible alcohol sales, service and consumption. Anyone who serves or handles alcohol in a licenced establishment in Ontario must be certified by Smart Serve including grocery stores that sell alcohol.

Going To Work Program – participants who are employment ready with a current resume can be connected with employers who are hiring. Ask your Caseworker for a referral.

Employability Skills- Delivered by Lakehead Adult Education Centre. Learn skills to prepare you for a work placement that can be used for credits towards your gr. 12 diploma. Don't need credits? Gain some experience in a work placement. Create a resume, cover letter and participate in training for WHMIS, Health and Safety as well as other opportunities.

Learning Curve Workshop Series: Delivered by Confederation College on Tuesday mornings. This drop in skills workshop series was developed to increase participants abilities, self-confidence and resources for self-development. These workshops will assist participants in gaining foundational skills to begin exploring career development pathways.