Ontario Works Employment Training Calendar May 2024

231 May St S Thunder Bay ON P7E 1B5

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| ***FREE WORKSHOPS*** Open to ALL Ontario Works Participants To Register: Call your caseworker or 766-2111 ext 4700 FREE Lunch for Workshop Participants | Review the monthly calendar at: www.tbdssab.ca Follow TBDSSAB on Social Media: in | 1 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Need a laptop to participate? Call your Caseworker to apply for one | ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Resume Assistance Available | Birth Certificate Application assistance available on site contact your Caseworker for an appt. |
| 6 Placement Support Workers: Amber 807-766-4087 Tina 807-766-4079 | 7 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Learning Curve 9:30-12:00 NEW – on site 1:30-3:30 | 8 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online | 9 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online YES on site 1:15-3:15 | 10 Smart Serve training online anytime. Contact your Caseworker |
| 13 Resume, Interview Skills & other job search assistance available with Placement Support Workers. Amber: 807-766-4087 Tina: 807-766-4079 | 14 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Learning Curve 9:30-12:00 NEW – on site 1:30-3:30 | 15 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Good Food Box 10:00- 2:00 Contact Amber to Volunteer 807-766-4087 | ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online | In Good Hands online training. Contact Amber 807-766-4087 or Tina 807-766-4079 for a code Income statement week |
| 20 OFFICE CLOSED Victoria Day | 21 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Learning Curve 9:30-12:00 NEW – on site 1:30-3:30 Income statement week | ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online | ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online OKC Food Cupboard Windsor 1:00-4:00 YES on site 1:15-3:15 Income statement week | Are you working on upgrading your education with LAEC or ACE? Contact Amber 766-4087 to get extra \$\$ Income statement LAST DAY |
| 27 CCA Volunteering | 28 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Learning Curve 9:30-12:00 NEW – on site 1:30-3:30 Cheque mailing Date | 29 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Cheque pick up date | 30 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Payment Date | 31 Interested in computer courses? – beginner to advanced options available. Contact Amber to register 766-4087 |

TBDSSAB Workshop Programs

Resume, **Interview and Job Search Assistance** - OW participants may meet with Employment staff for assistance with their job search, to develop a resume, work on interview skills and prepare for job interviews.

YES and NEW On site - 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. (NEW currently requires an appt. to be made through your Caseworker but drops ins are welcome on a first come first serve basis)

Volunteering – Participants are provided supports for items they need to volunteer.

- Good Food Box monthly. 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. Meet us at the Moose Hall on Fort William Rd.
- Community Clothing Assistance (CCA) duties from sorting and organizing donations. OW participants are eligible for free clothes.

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 on site mornings and online in the afternoons – students are welcome to stay on site and work in the training room for the afternoon)

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. Topics include: Self Awareness, Healthy Relationships, Unleashing your Potential, Physical Wellness, Wellbeing, Purpose and Goal Setting. Attending 6 workshops earns a Certificate from Confederation College Academic Upgrading.

Smart Serve:

Online course. 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. **Staff are available to assist in preparations for the test.**This program increases awareness for responsible alcohol sales, service and consumption.

In Good Hands: Become certified as a safe food handler with this online training. After taking this course you will understand what causes foodborne illness and what steps you can take to prepare food safely. Contact your Caseworker for an online code to complete the course. You have 3 attempts to pass for certification.

Other courses or training opportunities: If you require certifications or courses for employment purposes you can request assistance from your Caseworker or a Placement Support Worker.