Ontario Works Employment Training Calendar October 2025

231 May St S Thunder Bay ON P7E 1B5

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
FREE Programs Open to ALL Ontario Works Participants FREE Lunch for Program Participants To Register: Call your Caseworker	Review the monthly calendar at: www.tbdssab.ca Follow TBDSSAB on Social Media: in	1 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45	2 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45	Need a laptop to participate? Call your Caseworker to request a loaner.
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13 OFFICE CLOSED Happy Thanksgiving	14 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45	15	16 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45	17 Resume, Interview Skills & other job search assistance available contact your Caseworker for a referral.
20 Income Statement	21	22 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45 Income Statement	Income Statement 23 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45 Income Statement	Birth Certificate Application assistance available on site contact your Caseworker for an appt. Income Statement
Other courses or training opportunities: If you require certifications or courses for employment purposes you can request assistance from your Caseworker.	28 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45	29 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45	30 ACE 9:30-12:00 LINC 9:00-2:00 Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45 Brooke Garnet - Prevention and Screening Clinical Services Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre Cheque pick up date	Are you working on upgrading your education with LAEC or ACE? Contact your Caseworker to get extra \$\$

TBDSSAB Workshop Programs

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. Packing day at Moose Hall on Fort William Rd.
- Community Clothing Assistance (CCA) duties from sorting and organizing donations. OW participants are eligible for free clothing.

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.

Computer Courses: Available on site through ACE.

LINC (Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada): Classes delivered 5 days a week by Thunder Bay Multicultural Association (TBMCA) provide social and day to day language training to Newcomers. They share their experiences, hopes and frustrations as newcomers. Language training at LINC helps them not only to improve English skills in all areas (listening and speaking, reading and writing), but also develop friendships and connections and ultimately assists participants on their way to integrating into the Canadian society.

LAEC – Skills 4 Success: Drop in registration for in-person programming and online programming available for out of town students. Students can choose a pathway:

- financial literacy
- entrepreneurship
- navigating the workplace
- online micro credentials
- or complete your diploma.

Birth Certificate Assistance: Those that require a birth certificate or a replacement birth certificate can get assistance with completing the application as well as funds to pay for the application. Contact your Caseworker for more information.

Loaner Laptops: If you require a laptop to participate in activities related to your Action Plan you can contact your Caseworker to apply for one.

Prevention and Screening Clinical Services Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre will be on site:

Our prevention initiatives focus on health promotion, including education and outreach, to decrease chronic disease risk factors and promote healthy living.

- Over 3,000 people visit our Hospital's Fresh Market each year, an on-site market that increases access to fresh, local produce and products for staff, patients and families.
- Healthy staff = Healthy patients. We're leading our Hospital's Healthy Workplace strategies and initiatives to improve and enhance the health of our staff, including mindfulness sessions and on-site exercise classes.
- Our Healthy Living and Cancer Prevention & Screening Series offers ongoing education and awareness about chronic disease prevention, cancer prevention and screening for Indigenous communities, partners and organizations throughout Northwestern Ontario