

Ontario Works Employment Training Calendar

January 2026

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<p>***FREE Programs***</p> <p>FREE Lunch for Program Participants</p> <p>To Register: Call your Caseworker</p>	<p>Review the monthly calendar at: www.tbdssab.ca</p> <p>Follow TBDSSAB on Social Media:</p>    	<p>Do you want to Volunteer? Contact your Caseworker for opportunities</p>	<p>1</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>Need a laptop to participate? Call your Caseworker to request a loaner.</p>
<p>5</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Birth Certificate Application assistance available on site contact your Caseworker for an appt.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p>	<p>7</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p>	<p>8</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>TOSW Drop In 10:30-12:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p>	<p>9</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Interested in computer courses? – beginner to advanced options available. Contact your Caseworker to register</p>
<p>12</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Do you want to Volunteer? Contact your Caseworker for opportunities</p>	<p>13</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p>	<p>14</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p>	<p>15</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>TOSW Drop In 10:30-12:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p>	<p>16</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Income Statement</p>
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<p>26</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Other courses or training opportunities: If you require certifications or courses for employment purpose request a referral from your Caseworker.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p> <p>Cheque mailing date</p>	<p>28</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p> <p>George Jeffrey's Smart Hub 1:00-3:00</p>	<p>29</p> <p>ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Prevention & Screening Clinical ServicesTBRHSC on site.</p> <p>TOSW Drop In 10:30-12:00</p> <p>Skills 4 Success 12:45-2:45</p> <p>Cheque pick up date</p>	<p>30</p> <p>LINC 9:00-2:00</p> <p>Are you working on upgrading your education with LAEC or ACE? Contact your Caseworker to get extra \$\$</p>

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.

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)

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.

TOSW Drop In with Métis Nation of Ontario's Thunder Bay Transitional Housing Program: TOSW Workers and staff from Metis Nation of Ontario will be available for drop-ins every Thursday from 10:30 – 12:00 in training room A (off the lobby). The team will field general questions about what they do and how they may be able to help anyone struggling with homelessness, risk of homelessness or vicariously housed and provide other resources as needed. The Thunder Bay Transitional Housing Program focuses on supporting at-risk and unhoused youth and young adults across the city through outreach, resource navigation, and direct support services.

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

George Jeffrey Children's Centre Smart Start Hub

A one-stop point of entry for families who have concerns about their child's development and would like to explore available options and supports. As a Smart Start Hub they connect families with child development agencies and professionals in Thunder Bay and the District of Thunder Bay.

There is no cost to access the Smart Start Hub, and children are eligible from birth to age 19 (or 21 if they are in school) and live in Ontario. The program focuses on the strengths of your child or youth and family, in a friendly, supportive and culturally safe environment.

