

Summer is Coming...

Job Searching From A Distance

Students often move for the summer – to travel, to return home between school years, or to get set up in a new city before school starts. Even in these situations, you can still look for a summer job!

Here are some tips:

- ◆ **Use online job search tools.** The Job Bank (www.jobbank.gc.ca) and Workopolis.com list jobs all across Canada. Quintessential Careers has a list of major employers' recruiting pages at www.quintcareers.com/career_centers/
- ◆ **Find out if there's a college or university where you're going** and check into their career centre for info on local employers
- ◆ **Let employers know when you plan to move** and offer to do a phone interview before meeting in person
- ◆ **Network!** Talk to everyone you can about your skills and what kind of work you are looking for. Try to get introduced to people in the city where you are going.
- ◆ **Get a phone book,** and simply call every employer who might have a use for your skills. (Make sure you call at the right time if there is a time difference!)
- ◆ **Be prepared for travel** especially if you're heading out of Canada. Check into visas, immunizations, etc. A good place to start your research is: www.voyage.gc.ca/consular_home-en.asp



The Summer Jobs Service Program

It may not seem like it, with snow still on the ground, but April is a good time for students to start job searching and preparing for summer employment! 2nd Chance offers assistance with this endeavor through the Summer Jobs Service Program.

The Summer Jobs Service Program is a provincially funded program designed to encourage employers to hire students in the summer months. Employers who participate in the program receive a wage subsidy, allowing them to create more summer jobs for students.

Students benefit from having access to a large pool of available job postings, and can also access 2nd Chance resource centres to get help with resume writing, cover letter writing and the employment application process.

Students who are interested in Summer Jobs Service positions must register, and must be between the ages of 15 and 24, and returning to school in the fall. As obtaining employment is often challenging and competitive, students are encouraged to register as early as possible.

Please come and talk to staff at 2nd Chance today to get the assistance you need with your summer job search!

Remember that it is often hard work to find work. Initiative, dedication, a positive attitude and an open mind can make all the difference!

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Be like the flower, turn your face to the sun. ~ Kahlil Gibran

Don't forget to check the back for workshops, job fairs and other events...



April 2008 ~ 2nd CHANCE EVENTS

**Questions? Ask any 2nd Chance staff
or call our main office at 519-823-2440**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2	3	4
7		9	10	11
		YWAP/ Keys to Workplace Survival Workshops (Norfolk) 1-3	Ace the Interview Workshop (Norfolk), 1:30-3:30 Movie Night @YRC 4:30-6:30pm	
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28	29	30	MAY 1	MAY 2
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Workshop Descriptions:

YWAP:

Learn how to avoid accidents at work - and what to do if they happen!

Keys to Workplace Survival:

You can survive and succeed in your job! Learn how!

Ace the Interview:

Wow employers by presenting your skills like an expert!

Customer Service 101:

Crabby customers? No problem! Learn how to turn complaints around, and how to avoid them in the first place.

Please call 519-823-2440 for more info on these or other listed events

Where is 2nd Chance?

Downtown Guelph Monday to Friday
177 Norfolk St., 519-823-2440 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Youth Resource Centre Monday 9:30 to 4:30
Stone Road Mall, 519-823-2818 Tuesday 9:30 to 6:30
Wed/Thurs 9:30 to 7:00
Friday 12:00 to 4:30

Fergus Monday to Friday
160 St. David St., 519-843-5513 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

NOTE: Workshops are also held at schools and other organizations in the community. For more information, check www.2ndchance.ca/jobs/events.shtml or give us a call!