

THE DISTRICT OF THUNDER BAY SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BOARD

## Ontario Works Employment Training Calendar July 2024

231 May St S Thunder Bay ON P7E 1B5

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 CANADA DAY	2 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online	3 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online	4 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online	5 Need a laptop to participate? Call your Caseworker to apply for one
8 Interested in computer courses? – beginner to advanced options available. Contact Amber to register 766-4087	9 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online	10 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online	11 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online YES on site 1:15-3:15	12 Resume, Interview Skills & other job search assistance available - call Amber: 807-766-4087
15 Smart Serve training online anytime. Contact your Caseworker	16 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online NEW – on site 1:30-3:30	17 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online Good Food Box 10:00- 2:00 Contact Amber for Info 807-766-4087 Income Statement	18 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online YES on site 1:15-3:15 Income Statement	19 In Good Hands online training. Contact Amber 807-766-4087 for a code
22 Resume Assistance Available	23 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online NEW – on site 1:30-3:30	24 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online	25 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online	26 Birth Certificate Application assistance available on site contact your Caseworker for an appt.
Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement	
29 Are you working on upgrading your education with LAEC or ACE? Contact Amber 766-4087 to get extra \$\$	30 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online NEW – on site 1:30-3:30	31 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online	***FREE WORKSHOPS*** Open to ALL Ontario Works Participants To Register: Call your caseworker or Amber at 766-4087	Review the monthly calendar at: <u>www.tbdssab.ca</u> Follow TBDSSAB on Social Media: Image: Image: I
Cheque mailing date		Cheque pick up date	FREE Lunch for Workshop Participants	

## **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. Volunteering happens 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)

## **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 or a Placement Support Worker 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.

**Birth Certificate Assistance:** If you require assistance in completing a birth certificate application contact your Caseworker to arrange for an appt. with staff to assist you.

**Laptop Lending Program:** If you require a laptop to complete employment related activities you can request to borrow one. Anyone who requires a laptop will also have a refurbished laptop purchased for them that they can keep for future activities.