



Ontario Works Employment Training Calendar January 2025

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<p>***FREE Programs*** Open to ALL Ontario Works Participants</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>1 OFFICE CLOSED</p> 	<p>2 YES on site 1:15-3:15</p> <p>Future opportunities with TBMA to attend the LINC program on site</p>	<p>3 Need a laptop to participate? Call your Caseworker to request a loaner.</p>
<p>6 In Good Hands online training. Contact your Caseworker</p>	<p>7 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online LAEC Employability Skills 10:30-2:30</p> <p>NEW – on site 1:30-3:30</p>	<p>8 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p>	<p>9 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p>	<p>10 Interested in computer courses? – beginner to advanced options available. Contact your Caseworker to register</p>
<p>13 Do you want to Volunteer? Contact your Caseworker for opportunities</p>	<p>14 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online LAEC Employability Skills 10:30-2:30</p> <p>NEW – on site 1:30-3:30</p>	<p>15 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>Good Food Box 10:00- 2:00</p>	<p>16 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>YES on site 1:15-3:15</p> <p><i>Income Statement</i></p>	<p>17 Resume, Interview Skills & other job search assistance available contact your Caseworker for a referral.</p>
<p>20 Smart Serve training online anytime. Contact your Caseworker</p> <p><i>Income Statement</i></p>	<p>21 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online LAEC Employability Skills 10:30-2:30</p> <p><i>Income Statement</i></p>	<p>22 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p><i>Income Statement</i></p>	<p>23 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p><i>Income Statement</i></p>	<p>24 Birth Certificate Application assistance available on site contact your Caseworker for an appt.</p> <p><i>Income Statement</i></p>
<p>27 Other courses or training opportunities: If you require certifications or courses for employment purposes you can request assistance from your Caseworker.</p>	<p>28 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>LAEC Employability Skills 10:30-2:30</p> <p><i>Cheque mailing date</i></p>	<p>29 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p>	<p>30 ACE 9:30-12:00 on-site 12:30-2:00 online</p> <p>YES on site 1:15-3:15</p> <p><i>Cheque pick up date</i></p>	<p>31 Are you working on upgrading your education with LAEC or ACE? Contact your Caseworker to get extra \$\$</p>

Programs offered on site at TBDSSAB

Resume, Interview and Job Search Assistance - OW participants can be referred to an Employment Ontario agency 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 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)

LAEC Employability Skills & Training (Lakehead Adult Education Centre) – LAEC is on-site at the TBDSSAB office on Tuesdays from 10:30am to 2:30pm - a variety of programming is offered to suit the specific needs of adult learners. Work towards goals like employment, apprenticeship or post secondary. Students can take part in a variety of training modules and other opportunities:

- WHMIS,
- Workplace Health & Safety,
- Cyber Security, Online safety, and more.
- Continue learning by participating in co-operative education
- PLAR, and other credit-based courses
- Earn their diploma (OSSD), or pre-requisites for post-secondary.

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.

LINC (Language instruction for newcomers to Canada) - LINC provides social and day to day used 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 smoothen their way to integrating into the Canadian society.