



Calcasieu Workforce Gazette

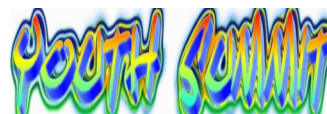
Annual Youth Summit / Job Fair

The Calcasieu Workforce Center will host its Annual Youth Summit/Job Fair, Wednesday, April 17, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., at the Lake Charles Civic Center located at 900 Lakeshore Drive, Lake Charles, LA. The mission for the Calcasieu Workforce Center youth program is to empower and provide youth with the opportunity to develop and achieve goals through education and workforce training while promoting self-sufficiency. Employers are expected to be on hand to interview youth for various job openings.

The purpose of the Youth

Summit / Job Fair is to motivate the youth of Southwest Louisiana to overcome life's obstacles and be the best they can be. Our theme this year is "Get Over YOURself." The Summit will include a selection of appropriate workshops. Mr. TaMarlon Carter, an innovative thinker, Youth advocate, effective team builder, and an entrepreneur dedicated to cultivating a community of success, will be the keynote speaker. Also, addressing ways to overcome barriers, to help youth meet their employment and

training goals. A boxed lunch will be provided to all attendees. The targeted population is youth, ages 16 thru 21. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Youth Skills Development Specialists Jonnika Boutte or Venus DeJean at 337-721-4010, Ext. 5002, or 5004, You may also contact us by E-mail at jboutte@lwia51.com or vdejean@lwia51.com. Preregister at www.cppj.net/youthsummit. So yall come!



2013



Upcoming Community Events:

Job Start / Job Fair
4/10/2013
Time: 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
Location: Business & Career Solutions Center Calcasieu Consortium, 2424 3rd Street, Lake Charles LA, 70601
Pre-Registration starts March 11
Admission: Free

Movies Under the Stars:
Wreck-It Ralph
4/5/2013
Times: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Prien Lake Park, 3700 West Prien Lake Road, Lake Charles, LA 70607
Admission: Free

Flea Fest: Flea Market
4/13/2013 - Recurring daily
Location: Burton Coliseum, 7001 Gulf Hwy, Lake Charles, LA 70601
Regular Tickets
(Available at the door) Adults - \$5 Kids 12 & under - FREE!
VIP Parking - \$2
Regular Parking - FREE!

Follow the new resume trends

If you browse through the January issue of fashion magazines, you'll often find a list of which fashion trends are "in" and which ones are "out" in the New Year. The same idea applies to resumes— some additions will show employers that you're up-to-date on new hiring trends, while others will send the message that you're stuck in the past. To help you stay current, here's a rundown on what's in and what's out for resumes in 2013, along with some classic elements that will never go out of style.

WHAT'S IN

Cleaner content. Certified professional resume writer at Career Impressions, says that more succinct summaries of top achievements and related skills are a must in 2013.

Social-media experience. Since most resumes are now submitted online, they should serve as a portal

to additional information.

Keyword optimization. Many employers are tuning to applicant tracking systems to more efficiently process the high volume of resumes received. To increase your resumes chances of surviving to the next round, include applicable keywords from the job description. Just make sure that they fit the context.

WHAT'S OUT

Objective statements. These overused and highly ineffective resume openings add little to no value to a resume.

References upon request. Remove this statement from your resume. Not only does it take up valuable space, but employers expect you to have references anyway.

Outdated experiences. Consider

removing jobs that are more than a decade old, especially if they don't relate to the position for which you're applying or don't add any overall value.

WHAT'S TIMELESS

Flawless spelling and grammar. Meticulous spelling, grammar and formatting are always a must.

Customization. Long gone are the days of applying for jobs en masse using the same resume.

"Being involved with networking groups and community charities shows that you're committed to professional and community growth - a great attribute to find in a new hire," says Charity Morrow, career services advisor at Rasmussen College.

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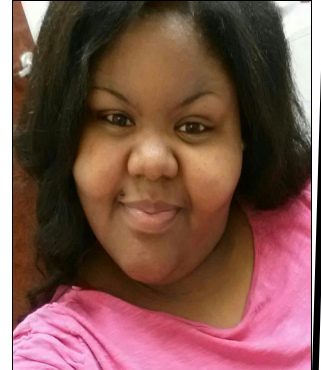
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Participant of the Month!

This month's shining star is Ms. Ki'ara Vickers. Ki'ara enrolled in the WIA program as an out-of-school, older youth pursuing her goal to become a registered nurse. While enrolled at McNeese State University, life and personal obstacles were her enemy; such as death in her family, educational drawbacks while attending McNeese, and battling personal issues, but she refused to give up. Ki'ara has chosen to take a different route to achieve her goal. This upcoming Fall semester she will enroll in Sowela Technical Community College's LPN program. Once she satisfies the requirements for LPN she plans to continue her education to reach her goal of being a RN. Ki'ara is truly a shining star. Keep up the good work!



"Never give up on what you really want to do. The person with big dreams is more powerful than the one with all the facts."

~Unknown~

Congratulations Ki'ara!!



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Youth Getting Involved



The Calcasieu Workforce Center, Youth Department would like to extend their thanks to **Dr. Danette Null, MD** (Assistant Professor of Family Medicine Residency Program) Lake Charles Memorial Hospital and the participants that attended the "Health & Wellness", Leadership Seminar. The Leadership seminars are FREE! They are held the last Friday of every month (excluding holidays) and open to the public, so bring a friend.