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HOW TO FIND EMPLOYMENT FOR THE SUMMER

It is time to start looking and finding a summer job or a permanent job. There are so many wonderful opportunities and now is the time to plan, prepare and apply.

Summer Employment is one of the best ways to gain experience and learn about jobs and careers. April is the perfect time to start looking for a unique and interesting job. This year's summer employment opportunities will increase because Covid 19 is on the decline and many businesses have special moneys to help them hire people to recover from this past year.

How do you go about getting a summer job? Here are a few tips...

First, ask yourself why you are looking for a job? Do you just want to go to work and then come home and do your fun summer things? Or are you looking for an educational opportunity?

What is your Goal? Do I want to work 40 hours a week or 20 hours? Are you looking for a fun experience or really need the money? What are you willing to sacrifice to work? How much money do you want or need to earn?

What is your Summer Schedule? Do you want flexible time to do things with your friends? Are you taking a family vacation? Are you going to summer camp or taking courses? When are you returning to school or leaving for college?

What are the Age Requirements for the Job? Are there any Certifications you will need? Does the job require you to have special training or experience or a Youth Work Permit?

Do you have Reliable Transportation? How will you get to work? What will it cost to get there?

What are the EXTRA Expenses? Uniform, meals, gas, insurance, other?

Would you consider working in another city or a remote area? Will you have to pay to get to that location? Will you have to pay for housing and meals? Will you spend more than you earn in wages?

WHERE TO LOOK FOR SUMMER JOBS?

Community

- Tourist Locations
- City or State Summer Jobs
- Referee a Sport
- Vendors for Saturday Market and Fairs
- Local Stores to include Grocery Stores, Recreation Stores like REI or the Bike Shops, Greenhouses, Craft Stores, and Small Gift Shops
- Businesses that might need clerks like a law office

Self-Employment Ideas

Yard and Lawn Care, Odd Jobs around the Neighborhood or Community, Window Washing, Babysitting, Dog Sitting and Walking, Make Items to Sell at Craft Fairs

Here are a few websites to help you in your search:

Cool Works - <https://www.coolworks.com/alaska-jobs>

Alaska Tour Jobs - <https://www.alaskatourjobs.com>

Alaska Department of Natural Resources - <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/misc/jobs.htm>

Indeed - <https://www.indeed.com/q-Summer-l-Alaska-jobs.html>

There are many opportunities out there. Ask other for ideas and job leads. Act now and you may find yourself having a great time as well as earning money and making new friends.

Remember I am available at future.inc1@gmail.com to answer any questions or need assistance.

Have a great week, Mari Jo Parks