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YOUR SOURCE FOR MAKING A SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION FROM SCHOOL TO WORK

ON THE JOB TRAINING

Linda Starks, Transition Counselor

On the job training with "WE B TREES"

An On-the-Job Training opportunity with We B Trees, a local tree care business, was begun with two graduating seniors from Webster High School in West Tulsa. The VR Transition Counselor and the Teacher-Coordinator met with Tim and Barbara Nall, owners and operators of We B Trees to discuss the possibility of interviewing several students. Interviews were conducted and three students started working on Saturdays. The students who began and are still working are Matthew Roach and Jacob Farmer. Later, Tyler Campbell began working two afternoons a week.

In addition to this, an office opening was also established. The office assistant will be reviewed and possibly hired after graduation.

VR Transition Counselor is kept informed weekly of each worker's progress by phone calls and office visits from Barbara Nall. The Teacher-Coordinator has been instrumental in seeing that students have sufficient time to participate during the chosen weekdays.

Tools and work clothes have been provided by DRS to assist the workers in getting the proper equipment and shoes needed to perform their jobs well.

UP COMING JOB FAIR

TAHRA in partnership with the Tulsa Metro Chamber, Department of Rehabilitation Services, Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma Rehabilitation Association and Oklahoma Employment Security Commission is holding its first...

Career Fair on October 13, 2011, 10:00-4:00, at the Tulsa Marriot Southern Hills.



MEET MELINDA



Melinda is a Transition Specialist in Tulsa, OK

Favorite Food:



Mexican

Favorite Book:



The Help

When Melinda was in High School she wanted to be a Vet

Interesting Fact:

I am from a very small town of 755 people in South Central Oklahoma



POCKET RESUME

This information is often asked on job interviews, at job fairs and on applications. Fill this out, cut along the edges, and take it with you for reference.

Driver's License # _____		
EDUCATION		
SCHOOL _____		
ADDRESS _____		
MAJOR /SUBJECTS _____		
DATES _____		
PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT		
EMPLOYER _____	EMPLOYER _____	
ADDRESS _____	ADDRESS _____	
JOB TITLE _____	JOB TITLE _____	
DATES _____	DATES _____	
REFERENCES (Get permission before using names)		
NAME _____	ADDRESS _____	PHONE# _____
NAME _____	ADDRESS _____	PHONE# _____
NAME _____	ADDRESS _____	PHONE# _____
OTHER SKILLS		
COMPUTER/TRADE _____		
MILITARY SERVICE _____		
OTHER/NOTES:		

HOW TO GET YOUR FOOD HANDLERS PERMIT

In Oklahoma if you want to work in a facility where you will be with or around food, you will need a food handlers card. The quickest and easiest way to obtain one is online.

Go to www.okfoodhandlers.com

You can watch the video, take the exam, and print your certificate after you pass the exam. It is free to watch the video and take the exam, but it will cost you \$10 to print off the certificate (you will definitely need this to prove you passed). The purpose of having a food handler is to protect consumer health by providing safety education on proper food handling and preparation practices. You can take the test in person in several locations in the Tulsa area. Check out the website above for more information or contact your VR counselor for more details.

Success is a ladder you cannot climb with your hands in your pockets.
-American Proverb



HAVE YOU CALLED YOUR COUNSELOR?

Remember to call your counselor if you...
MOVE, GET A NEW PHONE #, CHANGE SCHOOLS, NEED CAREER INFORMATION, GET A NEW JOB, HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

918 508 2600

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