Job Search Resources

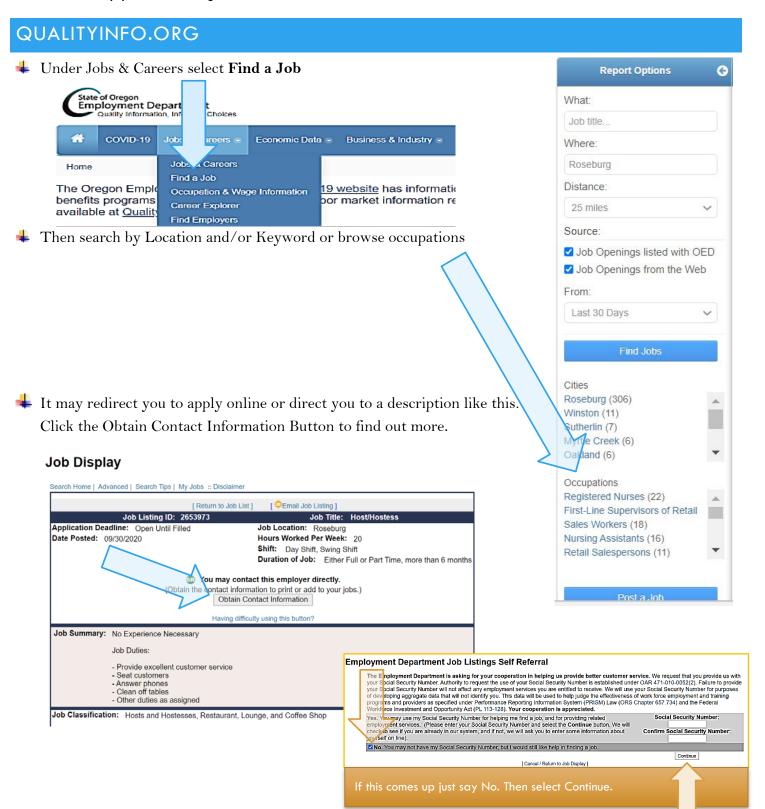








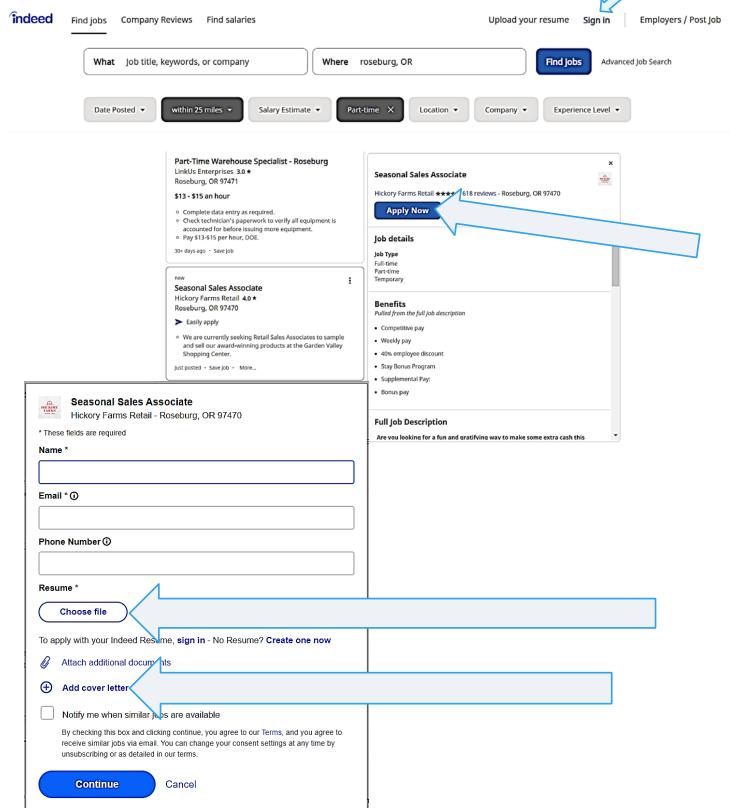
There are many job search engines out there. Here are two we recommend.





INDEED.COM

You can use indeed.com as a search engine to search by keyword and location. If you create an account indeed.com can help you build a resume and make job suggestions based on your criteria.







THE APPLICATION

Job applications are typically found online and ask about your education, work history, skills and abilities, and references. Gather this information in advance.

Follow directions carefully. They will notice if you do not.

Most employers ask for three references and their contact information. Ask people in advance to be your references. These should be people who have known you for at least a year and are not related to you.

RESUME

WHAT IS A RESUME?

A resume is a visual representation of your skills and experience. It contains much of the same information in your job application but is designed to emphasize your qualifications and get you an interview.

TYPES

There are three basic types of resume: functional skills, recent graduate and chronological. If you don't have a lot of experience, a functional skills resume is a great place to start and easily customizable for different jobs. There is an example of a functional resume at the end of this packet.

DOS AND DON'TS

Use proper spelling and grammar

Do not put any pictures on your resume

Keep it to one page

Do not use "I" or "me" on your resume

Make it easy to read – organization is essential

Do not lie or exaggerate

Use action words to describe your experience

Avoid difficult to read fonts or designs

Use a professional email address, for example:

Don't assume spellcheck will catch your mistakes

firstnamelastname@internet.com

RESOURCES

Career Center Oregon CIS Worksourceoregon.org Indeed.com Free Templates on Word and Google Docs

COVER LETTER

WHAT IS A COVER LETTER?

While a resume shows your qualifications a cover letter explains why you are the best fit for the job.

ADDRESS YOUR COVER LETTER

Always start with your contact information, name, address, phone number and email address.

Then address your letter to a specific person by name. This can be the owner or manager of the business. You may need to look up the business online or call and ask. If you can't determine who to send it to address it to "Whom it may concern."

CAREER CENTER

INTRODUCTION

In the introduction paragraph you need to state the job you are applying for, where you learned about it and why you are interested in it.

MIDDLE PARAGRAPH

In the middle paragraph you should share the main qualifications and accomplishments that make you the best candidate for the job. Pick two or three to focus on and how they will help the business.

CLOSING

In your closing paragraph restate how interested you are and your desire to interview. Thank them before saying Sincerely, and signing your name.

HIGH SCHOOL SKILLS IN EVERYDAY LIFE

It can be challenging to know what skills to put on your resume or highlight in your cover letter. Here are a few ideas of how to get started.

When you are applying for a job, read through the entire job description. There will be a list of skills and qualities they value or require in an employee. Think about ways you have shown these characteristics in your classes.

High School Skills

- Highlight good attendance and being on time
- Awards from teachers (PRIDE Awards or student of the month)
- ♣ Working in teams or small groups in daily classes (teamwork, communication skills)
- Presentations and class projects (attention to detail, follow through, self-management)
- ♣ Any CTE classes (woodshop, welding, auto shop, childcare center, foods, business foundations, and agriculture etc.)
- How to use specific tools (saws, drills, stove etc.)
- Safety training or CPR/First Aid Care
- Any clubs you are a member of
- Computer skills (Word, PowerPoint, Google Docs, Google Slides, Windows 10, Mac, photoshop, video editing etc.)
- Courtesy Clerk (Part-time) Sherms Thunderbird Markets - Roseburg, OR 97471 Responded to 51-74% of applications in the past 30 days, typically within 6 days. Apply Now Work Location: · One location Hours per week • 20-29 This Job Is Ideal for Someone Who Is: · Dependable -- more reliable than spontaneous · Detail-oriented -- would rather focus on the details of work than the bigger · Autonomous/Independent -- enjoys working with little direction This Company Describes Its Culture as: · Detail-oriented -- quality and precision-focused · Stable -- traditional, stable, strong processes · People-oriented -- supportive and fairness-focused This Job Is: · A job for which military experienced candidates are encouraged to apply Open to applicants under 18 years old, provided it is legally allowed for the job and location
- 4 A task or project you completed on your own (building a footstool, presenting a lesson to preschoolers, changing the oil in a car)
- Responsibilities or chores you have at home (caring for siblings, regular chores)





Congratulations on getting an interview! Here are some tips on how to have a successful interview.

BEFORE THE INTERVIEW

- Research the business, what is their mission or vision?
- ♣ Dress to impress you should be neat and clean
- Practice, practice, practice

DURING THE INTERVIEW

- 🚣 Arrive early
- A good handshake goes a long way
- Maintain good eye contact and smile
- ♣ To give yourself time to think repeat the question back to them as the beginning of your answer
- Ask questions based on prior research
- Use the interviewers name(s)

AFTER THE INTERVIEW

- Send a thank you via email or mail
- 🖊 If you don't get the job ask for feedback on why you did not get the job
- Reflect on what went well and where you think you could improve

COMMON INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- Tell me about yourself/ If I asked your friends to describe you, what would they say?
- ♣ Why do you want to work here?
- Why should I hire you?
- What are your greatest strengths? What are your greatest weaknesses?
- Can you tell me about a difficult work/school situation and how you overcame it?
- What are your favorite subjects at school?
- What do you consider good customer service?
- 🦊 What are your hobbies/what do you like to do in your free time?



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Education

Roseburg High School Roseburg, OR Expected Graduation June 2021

Skills and Experience

Training/Leadership Skills (these headers can be changed to suit your needs, see examples below)

- Coached Special Olympics for four years
- Trained more than 20 athletes by setting goals and schedules
- Embraces teamwork and encouraging behavior
- Future Business Leader of America president and Community Service/ Project Leader
- Competed at Regional, State, and National level for Management Decision Making

Customer Service Skills

- Employee at Fred Meyer for two years, specializing in customer service and assisting shoppers
- Excellent interpersonal communication
- Ability to effectively manage time and prioritize tasks for maximum efficiency in a highspeed customer service environment
- Strong product knowledge and understanding of target customers
- Professional telephone etiquette

Work Ethic

- Perfect attendance award three years in high school
- Future Business Leaders of America Member of the Month Award for dedication
- Punctual arrival, professional dress, and professional behavior at more than 10 community service and learning activities in FBLA
- "Determined" award from two teachers

Example headers: personal skills, computer skills, team work, awards, communication. Think about the job you are applying for and what skills you might need to be successful in that position.



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September 2, 2020

Ms. Sharon Thompson McKing Bell Manager 5000 Second Avenue Roseburg, OR 97470

Dear Ms. Thompson:

This is the introduction paragraph. In this paragraph you state the job you are interested in and where you learned about it. You also sate why you are interested in the position.

In the middle paragraph you share your main qualifications and accomplishments and how they make you the best fit for the job. Focus on two or three items that make you stand out. Your experience in Foods class has taught you how to work with a team in a kitchen environment. Your experience in this area will be a benefit to McKing Bell as you will be able to smoothly interact with your coworkers in the kitchen.

This is the closing paragraph. Restate your interest in the job and your desire to interview. Be sure to thank them.

Sincerely yours,

(leave four spaces for your signature)

Some Student (always type your name below your signature)

