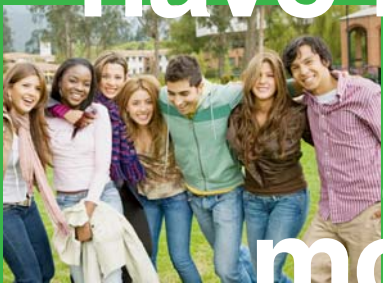


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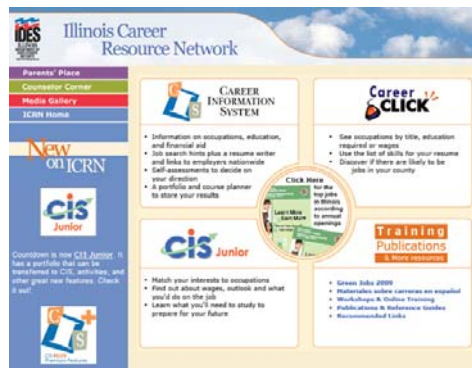
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try on careers for fit!

Trying to decide on a career?

The **Illinois Career Resource Network** offers a variety of career exploration products for elementary, middle and high school students. It's a valuable tool for anyone making career decisions.



You'll find information on regional wages, job search hints, self-assessment tools, course planners and a portfolio to store your results.

Visit the **Illinois Career Resource Network:**
www.ILWorkInfo.com/icrn

For assistance with employment and training issues, contact your local Illinois workNet Center. Call 1-888-367-4382 to find the location nearest you.



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With a summer job you'll get to know people and you'll have a chance to try out a career field while earning money. Apply as soon as possible because the best summer jobs go fast! Summer hiring job fairs can begin as early as February. With high unemployment among adults, it's going to be a tight job market for teens this year so also consider internships, volunteering or starting your own business as ways to gain experience.

Use the Career Information System (CIS) at www.ILWorkInfo.com/icrn to learn about how your interests may fit with occupations and how to apply for work. Set up *My CIS Portfolio* and you can even create a resume. Use *Job Search* and *Keep That Job* for hints and tips. Check the *Article Directory* in CIS under Additional Resources for items such as "Want More from Your Summer Job?" Go to *Recommended Links* and you can click on these summer job links without having to type them.

Use normal caution before giving your contact information and be sure to try free resources first.



What are some helpful resources?

Illinois' rules for wages, hours and permits for teen workers: <http://www.state.il.us/agency/idol/forms/pdfs/clpam.pdf>

Great site for safety on your summer job: <http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/youth/summerjobs>

Marketing Your Jobs Skills has hints for resumes, interviews, and job search: <http://www.ides.state.il.us/uidocs/bis/Marketing%20Your%20Job%20Skills%20English.pdf>



Where can I find a job?

Career internship and summer job listings with application hints and videos: <http://www.aplus-summerjobs.com>

Job listings and tips for researching potential employers: <http://www.summerjobs.com>

Links to sites with listings of summer adventure and international jobs: <http://www.backdoorjobs.com>

Seasonal job listings plus blogs, message boards and "A Day in the Life" profiles: <http://www.coolworks.com>

Want to work at a summer camp? Start here for thousands of listings: <http://www.mysummercamps.com>

Find camp job openings and job fairs: <http://www.acacamps.org/jobs>

Job listings and job search tips: <http://www.teens4hire.org>

Video interview with author of *Teen Dream Jobs*: <http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/7711412>

Seven steps to a perfect summer job: <http://www.collegeboard.com/student/plan/high-school/8913.html>

Quick article for younger teens: <http://www.kiplinger.com/features/archives/2006/03/summerjob.html>

Green jobs for teens: http://www.green4teens.com/green_collar_jobs



Are there summer jobs in government agencies?

Check out Hire the Future and other youth programs: http://www.ides.state.il.us/employment/hire_the_future.asp

Contact your local Illinois workNet Center for summer job programs in your area: http://www.illinoisworknet.com/vos_portal/residents/en/Home

City of Chicago Job Resources for Youth: <http://egov.cityofchicago.org> then click on City Departments at the top, select "Family & Support Services" then at that page under Youth Services, click on *Job Resources for Youth*

Mayor Daley's summer jobs program for ages 14-21: (Note: June 4, 2010 is the deadline to apply for summer positions; others are year-round.) <http://www.youthreadychicago.org>

Summer jobs and internships with government agencies: <http://www.studentjobs.gov>

Internships with the State of Illinois: http://www.illinois.gov/working/working_internship.cfm



What about self-employment and volunteering?

Ideas for starting your own business over the summer: <http://www.entrepreneur.com/tsu>

AmeriCorps connects people of all ages for volunteer service projects: http://www.americorps.gov/about/role_impact/state_profiles_detail.asp?tbl_profiles_state=IL



How do I know where to look?

A step-by-step guide for finding a summer or part-time job: http://www.quintcareers.com/finding_summer_jobs.html

Two overviews on finding summer work or creating your own business: <http://jobsearch.about.com/cs/summerjobs/a/summerjob.htm> <http://jobsearch.about.com/cs/justforstudents/a/teenjobs.htm>

Great links and resources for teen job hunters: http://www.skokieilibrary.info/s_teens/tn_jobs/index.asp

"Teen, Seasonal and Kinda Cool Opportunities" links from the Riley Guide: <http://www.rileyguide.com/teen.html#summer>

Clearing up myths about summer jobs: <http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704145904575111512851263590.html>

Just for fun: a quiz on "What's Your Perfect Summer Job?" http://www.the-n.com/quizzes/quiz_main.php?id=1272



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A parent's guide to summer jobs

A parents' guide to teens' summer work with lots of good information: <http://life.familyeducation.com/teen/summer-jobs/34467.html>

Tips for teaching teens about saving and money management: http://parentingteens.about.com/cs/moneymanagement/a/teens_money.htm

Deciding if teens should work to help out with family finances (scroll down on site): http://web.extension.illinois.edu/toughtimes/deciding_if_teens_should_work.cfm

Where are some fun camps for parents to go to while kids are working? <http://www.grownupcamps.com>