

Village of Walden Youth Employment and Education Program Essentials

Walden's Youth Employment Program is a five week work and mentorship opportunity available to Village of Walden residents between the ages of 15-18. This program is managed by the Village of Walden through a committee formed by the Mayor and Board of Trustees. The committee will consist of Village board members and a representative from each participating business.

As each youth works at their respective job they will also take part in a three hour educational workshop run by the committee members. In these educational workshops the youth will learn skills such as how to write a resume, how to perform in an interview, how to open your own bank account, etc. Each youth will be paid their hourly rate for participating in these mandatory three hour workshops. The goal of this program is to create a safe environment during the summer, while at the same time providing opportunities for our youth to earn a wage and the respect that comes along with it. This program will promote positive youth development and will always be supervised by professionals in their respective fields.

The Village of Walden Youth Employment Program Committee will be made up of three elected officials including Mayor Brian Maher and a representative from each participating business. The committee will also be in charge of the application process which will ask each hopeful youth worker to write an essay asking them why they wish to be a part of this work program and which job they would prefer. Each youth will also be asked to fill out a questionnaire in person designed by our committee. This will serve as our interview process.

Each youth will be paid \$8 an hour, totaling no more than twelve hours a week, for a five week period beginning the week of July 6th.

Work sites include:

**Hudson Valley Conservatory Performing Arts School
New York School of Music
Young Dental (Dentist Office)
Village of Walden Police Department
Village of Walden Library
Village of Walden Department of Parks and Recreation,
Village of Walden Finance Department
Jacobowitz and Gubitz LLC(Law Firm)
Walden Savings Bank
Walden Federal Bank
Thruway Shopping Center**

**Village of Walden Youth Employment and
Education Program**
Application for Admission

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PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ PHONE _____

Questionnaire and Essay

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1. Do you currently have a job? If so, how many hours a week do you work?
2. This program will take place from July 6th till the week of August 7th. Will you be missing any part of this program due to vacation? If so, how long and what dates?
3. Do you have any prior work or volunteer experience? On the attached page there is a list of employers. Who are the top two employers you would like to work for and why?

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