# **Objectives**

**Daily Course Objectives** 

By the end of this 21 day pre-employment program, all participants will have achieved the following.

### 1. Understanding the Program

reviewed the Program's Vision and Phases
reviewed the topics of this pre-employment course and identified personal expectations
identified support systems needed and support systems available from inside established participatory ground rules
examined how adults act
started self assessments around 8 workplace habits

### 2. Rational Decision Making / Getting To Know You

identified elements of good decision makingused a process for good decision makingidentified ways to face outside pressures on decision-makingidentified career dreams and realities

# 3. Internal Discipline

developed a working definition of internal disciplineexamined the effects of weak discipline on job performancepracticed positive action planningpracticed how to build and maintain disciplinegave weekly feedback on the course

# 4. Team Work / What Job Is Right For Me

reviewed characteristics of a good teamexamined roles of team membersnamed teams on the jobreviewed communication in teamsidentified characteristics for types of jobsprepared for field learning day

### 5. Field Learning, Assessment, and Support / Market Assessment

toured companies of future employersobserved teamwork on the jobidentified jobs in Louisianacompleted a weekly assessmentidentified support systems

## 6. Coping With Racism in the Workplace / A Picture For Me

analyzed systemic racismanalyzed racism in the workplacenamed strategies for navigating racismidentified main job interests

### 7. Code Switching

examined "Codes of the Streets"
described how these "Codes" enhance or inhibit success in the work place
identified main "Codes of the Work Place"
practiced "New Codes for Success in the Work Place"
gave weekly feedback

# 8. Discover Your Work World Mentors / Essential Skill Building

described what I need in a mentorexplored the importance of networking for world successtaken plans to expand your network and practiced introducing yourselfdeveloped a plan to invite a mentor to the programidentified resources for skill building

# 9. Self Affirmation/Self Efficacy / Cultural Diversity

examined how positive and negative thoughts affect us practiced how to change language and thoughts identified how positive affirmation leads to success examined different cultures named cultures in the workplace

#### 10. Can Do Consciousness

defined Can Do Consciousnessidentified parts of our lives we can do something about practiced ways to gain control in emotional situations completed a weekly assessment

### 11. Understanding Business / Starting the Search For The Job I Want

identified major types of businesspracticed tips for effective managementinterviewed employers on Priority Concerns Of Businessesreviewed reasons most businesses failreviewed disciplinary action offenses and proceduresreviewed personal planning worksheet

### 12. How Not to Get Fired/ Knowing When to Quit / Interview Skills

examined ways not to get fired
examined ways to resolve work problems
named how to build good workplace relationships
identified sexual harassment in the workplace
practiced ways to address sexual harassment in the work place
practiced presenting yourself in an interview
examined five stages of a typical interview
practiced improved interviewing skills

#### 13. Presenting Self to Employer / Resumes, Snapshots

identified snapshot card
 identified information needed for a snapshot card
 reviewed what a resume looks like
 examined different types of resumes
 drafted a resume for themselves
 reviewed other participants resumes for feedback
 prepared for field learning

# 14. Field Learning, Assessment and Support

toured companies of future employers; training school or college conducted workplace investigationspresented their findingscompleted a weekly assessment and learning challengeidentified support systems

# 15. Things To Do To Get Ahead

practiced presenting their own work skills and strengths
examined how to get the most of your next work experience
reviewed how to advance in jobs
reviewed the process for how to leave a job
investigated trend and opportunities in their industry

### 16. Moving Toward Success

identified Signs of Successused a success inventorybuilt their future successesinterviewed successful employeesdeveloped a networking notebook

## 17. We're All Difficult People / Researching Jobs

named types of difficult peoplereviewed strategies for dealing difficult peopleprepared for presentation dayresearched advertised jobs

### 18. Think Before Speaking / Hidden Jobs and Getting Out There!

explored situations where speaking from the head had negative implications
identified "personal hot buttons"
practiced silence
practiced dealing with hot buttons
reported on advertised jobs
named people who can help with their job search
prepared for participant presentations

# 19. Presentations, Assessments and Support / Discovering The Jobs

practiced getting and giving feedback
practiced presenting on success principles
reviewed tips for a good job search
examined a job application
completed weekly assessment and support meetings

# 20. New Codes for Success / Where I've Been; Where I'm Going

examined four layers of success in the workplace
prepared person mission statements
presented on where they want to be after this course
prepared a persona action plan for next week
reviewed the three keys to a successful work life
gave final feedback on the topics of this course

#### 21. Graduation Celebration

celebrated with mentors, staff, employers, family, and friends

#### **On-The-Job Objectives**

Each day of this course concentrates on a different success principle. Our goal is that participants take what they learn each day and bring it with them when they leave the course. The list of objectives below is a list of what we hope and expect that each participant will bring with them from phase one (pre-employment) to their life on-the-job. NOJI will work with participants and employers in phase 2 (Technical Training) and Phase 3 (Workers Co-op) to build what was learned in phase one and secure transfer of learning to the workplace.

## 1. Understanding the Program

Participants will share, create and manage available support systems before and after they get hired.

### 2. Rational Decision-Making

Participants will use a rational decision-making model in which they compare possible decisions against criteria that they see as important for their own success.

### 3. Internal Discipline

Participants will demonstrate discipline related to such issues as attendance and time management on-the-job.

#### 4. Teamwork

Participants will contribute effectively to teams at the work site. Participants will act in keeping with their role in different team work situations.

# 5. Field Learning Day

# 6. Coping With Racism In The Workplace

On the jobs participants will have a working understanding of racism, when it occurs, how it is manifested and ways to overcome it as a barrier to success.

# 7. Code Switching

Participants will use their new codes for living to be effective on the job and in their personal life.

#### 8. Discovering Your Work World Mentor

Participants will expand their networks and have at least one active mentor to help them progress in the work world.

### 9. Self Affirmations/Self Efficacy

Participants will use positive statements when they describe themselves and their situations. Participants will turn potentially negative situations into positive ones.

#### 10. Can Do Consciousness

Participants will demonstrate control over emotions and situations that could limit their success.

#### 11. Understanding Business

Participants will demonstrate a basic understanding of types of businesses, and as employees, they will contribute to business success. Participants will avoid disciplinary action and also be exposed to the realities of owning a business.

### 12. How Not To Get Fired/ Knowing When to Quit

Participants will build good workplace relationships and resolve workplace problems appropriately

# 13. Presenting Self to Employer / Resumes, Snapshots

Participants will demonstrate how to prepare and present themselves to potential employers.

# 14. Field Learning Day

# 15. Things To Do To get Ahead

Participants will utilize their current experience, skills and knowledge to advance on the job or get a better job.

# 16. Moving Toward Success

Participants, co-workers and supervisors will give examples of positive attitudes, skills, behaviors and decisions that have led to success.

# 17. We're All Difficult People

Participants will be able to effectively deal with co-workers and clients at the work place.

## 18. Think Before Speaking

Participants will demonstrate effective control over their language and behaviors at the work place.

### 19. Presentations

#### **20.** New Codes for Success

Participants will add value to their work, and to the work of others.