

## Checklist for First Interview

- Valid Driver License or Photo ID card
- Social Security Card  
(self and any dependents)
- Birth Certificate  
(self and any dependents)
- Proof of Total Family Income  
(i.e. current check stub)
- Proof of Residency  
(i.e. mailed water bill or light bill)



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# YouthStart

Lumber River Youth Services



Where Success  
Begins

# YouthStart / The University of North Carolina at Pembroke

## YouthStart Goals

The YouthStart Program is a year-round, program that is funded by the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act through a contractual arrangement with the Lumber River Council of Governments. Specific program goals for education and occupational skills attainment will focus on a comprehensive array of activities to maintain that program participants in-school and out of school complete their secondary education or employment; to provide links to the world of work; and to ensure that our customers (both the participants and employers) are satisfied with the services we provide. Specifically, we propose the following program outcomes:

- **Attainment of basic skills, work readiness skills or occupational skills**
- **Attainment of secondary school diplomas or equivalent**
- **Placement and retention in post-secondary Education or advanced training or placement In Military Service, employment or qualified apprenticeships**
- **Participant Customer Satisfaction**
- **Employer Customer Satisfaction**

## Fourteen Program Elements

- Tutoring, study skills training and instruction, leading to completion of secondary school, including dropout prevention strategies.
- Alternative secondary school services as appropriate.
- Summer employment opportunities that are directly linked to academic and occupational learning.
- Paid and unpaid work experiences, including internships and job shadowing.
- Leadership development opportunities, which may include community service, and peer centered activities, encouraging responsibility and other positive social behavior during non-school hours, as appropriate.
- Supportive services.
- Adult mentoring for the period of participation and a subsequent period for a total of no less than 12 months.
- Follow-up services for no less than 12 months after the completion of participation as appropriate.
- Comprehensive guidance and counseling which may include drug and alcohol abuse counseling and referral as appropriate.
- Occupational Skills Training.
- Entrepreneurial skills training.
- Labor market and employment information.
- Activities to help prepare for training and education.
- Post secondary Preparation and Transition Activities

## Who Can Participate?

In school youth must be enrolled in a secondary educational program, be ages 14 to 21 at enrollment and a low income individual as defined in WIOA section 101:

And

Is within one or more of the following categories:

- Deficient in basic literacy skills
- Homeless, runaway, or a foster child
- Pregnant or a parenting youth
- Offender
- Requires additional assistance to complete an educational program or to secure and maintain employment

Out of school youth must not be attending any school, be between the ages of 16 to 24 years old and have one or more of the following characteristics:

- A school dropout
- Within age of compulsory school attendance, but has not attended school for at least the most recent complete school year calendar quarter
- Recipient of a secondary school diploma or equivalent who is low-income and basic skills deficient or an English language learner
- Subject to the juvenile or adult justice system
- Homeless/runaway/foster care/aged out of foster care/out-of-home placement
- Pregnant or parenting
- An individual with a disability
- A low-income individual who requires additional assistance to complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment