

Summer Youth Employment Program Activity 1: Getting Started with Illinois workNet

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First and Last Name: _____

In this first activity you will be introduced to using Illinois workNet®, setting up an e-mail account, and opening your My Illinois workNet account. To begin, follow the directions below.

A. Set up a free e-mail account with a proper appearance (if you do not already have an appropriate email account). (5 Minutes)

Many employers and online job boards require an e-mail address to contact applicants. If you do not have an e-mail account, setting up a free e-mail account is quick and easy. Follow the links below to some of the most commonly used free e-mail services. Also, with the next activity, you can use your proper e-mail address as your user name when setting up a My Illinois workNet account.

-Yahoo Mail: Go to www.yahoo.com. Click on *Sign Up* next to the words Free Mail. Complete the required information.

-Google Gmail: Go to www.google.com. Click on *Sign in*. Click on *Create an Account*, and complete the required information.



An example of a proper e-mail account is to use first initial, last name, and favorite number.

Good Example: jsmith77@yahoo.com
Bad Example: icandy@yahoo.com

Use this worksheet to help you remember your new e-mail information, but do not share your password with others!

I set up my e-mail account with www.yahoo.com www.google.com

My e-mail address is _____ My password is _____

B. Open your My Illinois workNet account. (5 Minutes)

Once you have your account set up, you will be able complete the pre-assessment evaluation and Summer Youth Employment Program Activities.

- Go to www.illinoisworknet.com.
- Click on *Individuals*.
- Click on *Step Guides* and then click on *How Illinois workNet Can Help* and view the *Getting Started with Illinois workNet* video (1:03 minutes) to learn how to open your My Illinois workNet account.
- Click on *Home* (top navigation)
- Click on *Setup a free My Illinois workNet account*.



- Click **YES** to show that you are enrolled in the Summer Youth Employment Program
- Fill out all of the **red fields with *** and all of the **blue fields with !** You will need all of this information later if you create a resume on Illinois workNet.

- On the second registration page, **fill in your username, password, and then confirm your password.**



To help you remember your user name, use your e-mail account as your user name.

Use this worksheet to help you remember your new Illinois workNet account information, but do not share your password with others.

My user name is _____ My password is _____

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