# **INTERVIEWS**

### WHEN YOU GET THE CALL FOR AN INTERVIEW, MAKE SURE TO GET:

- Confirm time/address/what to bring before hanging up
- A contact number to confirm details, reschedule or cancel

## THE DAY BEFORE AND DAY OF YOUR INTERVIEW:

- Call the business (if they've given you more than 3 working days notice) (confirm the time, location, parking & what to bring)
- Put your resume and any certificates listed as a "Qualification" on your resume in a folder
- Research the company (who they are & what they do)
- <u>Read position description</u> (make sure you understand the job/duties, prepare/rehearse your answers, make a list of any questions you have)
- <u>Arrive 10 minutes before your interview</u> if you will be any less than 5 minutes before your interview or late, call them to inform them/ask if that is ok
- Turn off your mobile phone do not leave on silent
- Be polite to <u>ALL</u> staff (people you pass in the hallway/waiting room/receptionist), not just your interviewer

#### WHAT TO WEAR

- CLOTHES
  - MALES dress pants, dress shoes and dress shirt (no need for tie or jacket)
  - FEMALES skirt/pants, button up shirt & ballet flats/work shoes (nothing that is too short, too tight, or too low cut)
  - o NO JEANS, THONGS, JOGGERS, TSHIRTS, STILETTOS, HATS OR SCARVES
- HAIR
  - Long hair tie up/back
  - Short hair neat and cut well
  - Do not use too much product
  - o If you have facial hair make sure it is neat/clean
- MAKEUP (minimal natural look)
- JEWELLERY
  - Pull out all facial piercings (nose, eyebrow, tongue, lip etc)
  - Only wear one set of plain earrings and one plain necklace
- TATTOOS
  - Cover them up completely

## MEETING THE EMPLOYER/INTERVIEWER

- Be polite, smile & maintain good eye contact
- MALES always shake hands FEMALES wait for hand shake to be initiated by them
- Wait to be instructed to sit (courteous/respectful/so you don't sit in the wrong chair)
- Good posture (do not slouch/lean) / No fidgeting (hold onto resume if nervous) / Good body language (do not cross your arms/look at floor or ceiling etc)
- Ask for a glass of water if one isn't provided (use to drink/calm nerves/stop dry mouth)