

Youth



Education

You must attend school until the age of 18 or until you get your high school diploma. You can choose from different options.

■ More information:

<http://www.immigratemanitoba.com/study-in-manitoba/institutions/>

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/about/cfs.html>

Programs, Supports and Strategies

■ The government of Manitoba and its partners in the community developed many supports for families with children and youth. You can find resources for different age groups here:

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/healthchild/programs/index.html>

Employment

Manitoba Youth Job Centres (MYJC) provide community-based summer employment programs in rural and northern Manitoba. MYJC matches employers with students and youth (12 to 29 years of age) who need a summer job. This service is free.

The Centres give students and youth information and education to help them develop a career or find a job. For example, they can learn how to write a resume, look for a job, or practice job interviews.

Offices are open from the middle of May to late August each year. You can find offices in 40 communities in Manitoba.

■ More information:

Drop by a community office near you (May-August)

Call the MYJC coordinator (all year): 204-945-8115

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/cyo/youth/services/manitobayouthjobcentres.html>

https://residents.gov.mb.ca/reference.html?filter_category=12&d=list

There are many other government programs for students and youth who want to work.

■ More information:

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/jec/syeo/index.html>



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Rights and Safety at Work

The Young Worker Readiness Certificate Course teaches safety at work to young people. If you are 13 to 15 years of age, you must take this course.

■ More information:

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/labour/standards/doc.young-workers.factsheet.html#q144>

<https://www.safemanitoba.com/Education/Pages/YWRCC.aspx>

Youth Engagement and Volunteering

Volunteer Manitoba encourages young Manitobans to be involved in their community. Youth in Canada volunteer more than any other age group. In fact, 53% of Canadians aged 15 to 24 volunteer, which is higher than the national average. (Source: 2013 General Social Survey - Giving, Volunteering and Participating)

■ More information:

<https://www.volunteermanitoba.ca/>

Youth Criminal Justice

Youth who are charged with a crime may need to stay at a youth correctional centre. Correctional centres offer programs for young people. Programs focus on helping youth make better choices through education, rehabilitation, job training, work experience and spirituality.

■ More information:

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/justice/commsafe/commsafediv/correctionsrecruitment/youth.html>

Getting Help

Young people across Canada who are in crisis can call or text the Kids Help Phone anytime. Kids Help Phone offers counselling and information in English and French.

■ For help:

Call 1-800-668-6868

<https://kidshelpphone.ca/get-involved/our-impact/in-the-community/manitoba>