

Illinois Post-School Survey

Interview Questions and Interviewer Script

Spring 2008

CALLER PROMPTS (In Red)
GO TO CUES (Highlighted)
SCRIPTS (Highlighted)

THESE DATA MUST BE GATHERED BETWEEN APRIL AND SEPTEMBER OF THE YEAR FOLLOWING THE STUDENT'S EXIT FROM HIGH SCHOOL.

"Hello. My name is _____ and I am calling for the _____ School District. Recently, _____ (former student's name) received a letter stating that someone representing their former high school would be calling to ask questions about their current school and work activities. The answers will be used to better plan for classes and activities for current and future students."

As needed, assure the person answering the phone that you are not trying to sell anything. Refer to the letter they received again.

If Phone Answered by Former Student, say:

"I would like to ask you some questions about your current work and school activities. The questions will only take a short time. Your answers will be kept confidential, and will be used to help your school district better plan classes and activities for future students. May I ask you these questions now?"

IF YES, GO TO QUESTION #1

IF NO ASK:

"Would it be okay to contact you again in a few days in the event you have changed your mind?"

"Is there a time when it would be more convenient to talk with you?"

"Is there any additional information I can provide that might help you decide to answer some questions?"

IF NO SAY: "Okay, thank you for your time."

END SURVEY HERE

If Phone Answered by Parent or Guardian, say:

"I would like to ask _____ (former student's name) some questions about their current work and school activities. What is the best way to contact _____ (former student's name)?"

If Person who answered phone responds:

You can contact _____ at:

Thank respondent for information, end call, and try to reach former student with the given information.

If Former student is unavailable:

ASK: "Do you feel you know enough about _____ (former student's name) current work and school activities to answer a few questions?"

If YES, GO TO QUESTION #1

If NO, ASK: "Ok, Thank You. Do you know a more convenient time to call back to speak to someone who may know more information about this student?"

EMPLOYMENT SECTION

Note: Not all 14 questions will be applicable for every student. For example, questions #5-8 are only applicable if the answer to Question #1 is "NO".

1. Right now are you working?

(1) NO, SKIP QUESTIONS # 2, #3, #4

(2) YES, SKIP QUESTIONS #5, #6, #7, #8 IF MORE THAN 1 JOB, ANSWER FOR JOB WITH THE MOST HOURS/WEEK

(99) No Answer

2. Where is the job? – (CHECK ONE OPTION)

_____ (1) in an integrated competitive employment setting

(Integrated competitive employment is work in a job field, either full or part-time, among individuals with and without disabilities)

_____ (2) self-employed (ex. Landscaping Business, Day Care, etc.)

_____ (3) in the military

_____ (4) in a jail or prison (ex. Residing in the prison as inmate with a work assignment)

_____ (5) in sheltered employment (where most workers have disabilities)

_____ (6) in supported employment (paid work in a community with support services)

_____ (99) No Answer

3. Are you usually paid at least minimum hourly wage (\$7.50 per hour)?

(1) NO

(2) YES

(99) No Answer

4. Do you usually work 35 or more hours per week?

(1) NO

(2) YES

(99) No Answer

GO TO POSTSECONDARY SCHOOL SECTION

5. At any time since leaving high school, have you ever worked?

(1) NO, SKIP QUESTIONS #6, #7, #8

(2) YES

(99) No Answer

6. Describe the job—(if more than one job, describe the one held the longest)—(CHECK ONE OPTION)

_____ (1) in an integrated competitive employment setting

(Competitive employment is work in a job field either full or part-time basis with individuals with and without disabilities)

_____ (2) self-employed (ex. Landscaping Business, Day Care, etc.)

- _____ (3) in the military
- _____ (4) in a jail or prison (**ex. Residing in the prison as an inmate with a work assignment**)
- _____ (5) in sheltered employment (**where most workers have disabilities**)
- _____ (6) in supported employment (**paid work in a community with support services**)
- _____ (99) No Answer

7. Were you usually paid at least minimum hourly wage (\$7.50 per hour)?

- (1) NO
- (2) YES
- (99) No Answer

8. Did you usually work 35 or more hours per week?

- (1) NO
- (2) YES
- (99) No Answer

POSTSECONDARY SCHOOL SECTION

9. *Right now*, are you enrolled in any type of school, training, or education program?

- (1) NO, **SKIP QUESTIONS #10, #11**
- (2) YES, **SKIP QUESTIONS #12, #13, #14**
- (99) No Answer

10. Describe the kind of school or training program (**CHECK ONE OPTION**)

- _____ (1) High school completion document or certificate (**e.g., Adult Basic Education, GED**)
- _____ (2) Short-term education or employment training program (**e.g., WIA, Job Corps, etc.**)
- _____ (3) Vocational Technical School—less than a 2-year program
- _____ (4) Community or Technical College (**e.g., 2-year college, including online courses**)
- _____ (5) College/University (**e.g., 4-year college, including online courses**)
- _____ (6) Apprenticeship or Internship
- _____ (7) Enrolled in studies while incarcerated
- _____ (99) No Answer

11. Are you enrolled full-time?

- (1) NO
- (2) YES
- (99) No Answer

DATA COLLECTION COMPLETED

SAY: "Thank you for participating in this survey. Your answers will help to improve future programs and services for students."

12. At any time since leaving high school, *have you ever* been enrolled in any type of school, training, or education program (if more than one, describe the program enrolled in the longest)?

(1) NO, **DATA COLLECTION COMPLETED**

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- (2) YES
- (99) No Answer

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- (99) No Answer

14. Were you enrolled full-time?

- (1) NO
- (2) YES
- (99) No Answer

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SAY: "Thank you for participating in this survey. Your answers will help to improve future programs and services for students."