# Resumes

### For High School Students



## What is a Resume?

A resume is a personal summary of your professional history and qualifications.

It includes information about:

- Education
- Work experience
- Activities
- Honors
- Any special skills you might have

## Key Components

- Heading
- Education
- Experience
- Skills

### Additional Components

- Honors, awards
- Projects and research
- References as an addendum



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# Formatting & Appearance

- Make your name stand out with a bold, larger font size
- Use standard fonts: Times New Roman for print, Calibri for email
- Type Size: 10 12 Point
- White paper
- Limit entry level resume to one typed page
  - Have a Master Resume if needed

# Heading

Includes contact information:

- Top of the page
- Name: large and bold- so it stands out!
- Address: street, city, state & zip code
- Telephone number(s): with professional message
- Email address: professional looking (sexygurl4ever@hotmail.com is not appropriate)
  - Check your email on a daily basis

## Sample Headings

### **Mike Jones**

1 Meadow Way Altamonte Springs, FL 32116 (407) 555-1234 mikejones@aol.com

### **Susan Smith**

susansmith@yahoo.com

### **Current Address**

325 Maple St Orlando, FL 32837 (407) 555-3357

### Permanent Address

55 Sycamore Drive Miami, FL 36829 (305) 555-4429

### **Giana Williams**

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## Education

- Name and location of the school
- Graduation or anticipated graduation date
- GPA if 3.2 or higher
- Relevant coursework

## **Education- Relevant Courses**

- List relevant courses that:
  - Help you stand out from the crowd
  - Have provided you with specific skills or knowledge

Spanish (4 semesters) Computer Science Marketing Economics

- Do not include courses that are part of a required curriculum-Ex. English
- Include courses that are at an advanced level if they are relevant to the position- eg. Biology, Calculus

# Sample of Education Section

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August 2015 - Present

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## Experience

- Remember Experience can be:
  - Paid part-time/full-time positions
  - Summer Jobs
  - Internships
  - Volunteer work / Community Service
  - Club/campus group involvement, Sports, Band, etc.

# Experience

- Guidelines for duties, responsibilities, and accomplishments
  - Include most relevant skills & qualities
  - Reverse chronological order
  - Use strong action verbs, past tense
  - Provide evidence of skills & qualities by
    - Quantifying information
    - Acknowledging accomplishments and evaluations

# Sample Sections

### WORK EXPERIENCE

Waitress, Pizza Paradiso, Orlando, FL

August 2016 - Present

- Provided excellent guest service in fast-paced environment
- Trained newly hired wait staff
- Calculated cash balances

### INVOLVEMENT

Vice President, Key Club, Winter Park High School August 2017 - Present

- Initiated annual Holiday Food Drive
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- Handled cash

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# **Specialized Skills**

• Include skills that make you unique, such as computer skills, foreign language skills, and certifications



# Sample Skills Section

### **Computer/Technical**

SAS/STAT; Javascript; Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint

### Languages Spanish (Fluent), French (Conversational)

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# References

- Choose references that are knowledgeable about your skills, abilities, and work ethics. Former employers, teachers, and counselors would be good references, your friends and relatives would not.
- Always obtain permission from references in advance, and provide them with current resume

## Sample References

### REFERENCES

Kristin Wilkin, English Teacher, Winter Park High School, 407-623-2476

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## Remember

Always submit a <u>cover letter</u> with your resume

A resume does not get you a job...

### A resume does get you an interview.

And, putting time and consideration into your resume is one of the best ways to prepare for your interviews!

### **Proofread! Proofread! Proofread!**

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