

Monday, March 26, 2012 9:00 AM - Noon: Networking Sessions 12:30 - 5:00 PM: Possible Interviews Cintas Center, Xavier University Cincinnati, Ohio

A collaborative event presented by: The College of Mount St. Joseph, Northern Kentucky University, Wilmington College, University of Cincinnati, & Xavier University

The Southwest Ohio/Northern Kentucky Education Career Fair is quickly approaching and the number of schools attending continues to grow. Click here for the complete Fair tabloid, including helpful tips for making the most of the Education Career Fair.

This edition of eTips will help you prepare for the interview session. School district administrators typically place a great deal of emphasis on how candidates respond to interview questions, so it is important to be prepared. Questions generally will focus on the following:

- Getting to Know You "Why did you choose this profession as a career?"
- Interpersonal Skills "If confronted by an angry parent on an issue, how would you best respond?"
- Instruction "Describe a typical class period."
- Assessment "How do you measure student success?"
- Classroom Management "What type of classroom management plan would you implement?"
- Self-Analysis "During your student teaching experience, what did you find most challenging?" Candidates are often asked at the end of the interview if they have any questions. This is an opportunity not only to learn more about the school, but also to demonstrate professionalism. Avoid any negative-toned or salary/benefit questions. Ask questions like "What are you most proud of about your school?"

Networking Session Information

During the networking session, candidates may visit with schools and inquire about afternoon interviews.

- If you schedule an interview be sure your name is printed legibly on the Employer Interview Schedule and that the employer's name is printed legibly on your Candidate Interview Schedule.
- These are carbon-copy sheets. Press firmly and print legibly.

 At the conclusion of the networking session, turn in two copies of your interview schedule to the Information Table located outside of the banquet rooms.

Afternoon Interview Information

- When not interviewing, wait patiently in the Candidate Waiting Area. This is an excellent time to review materials received during the networking session and to prepare for your next interview.
- Employers and candidates will be notified two minutes before the next scheduled interview. This is your signal to go to your interview. Do not enter the interview session prior to this time, as it is important not to disrupt interviews that are taking place.
- If the employer is finishing an interview upon your arrival, wait patiently for the interview to conclude.
- Upon completion of your interview, return to the Candidate Waiting Area or move on to your next scheduled interview (if applicable).
- If you are offered a position and you accept, do not continue to interview.

If you need assistance or have additional questions contact Career Services.

To view a list of participating schools and for more information visit the Southwest Ohio/Northern Kentucky Education Career Fair website

