

Workplace Readiness Skills for the Commonwealth

Your Own Company

If everyone is thinking alike then somebody isn't thinking. —General George S. Patton

Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go. —T. S. Eliot

The “silly” question is the first intimation of some totally new development.—Alfred North Whitehead

Student Activity: Develop an idea for your own company. Outline a brief organizational plan for your company. Explain the nature of the business; give a description of products and/or services; project your profits based on research, and write job descriptions for employees.

1. Write a description of the kinds of employees you need to hire.
2. List the qualities you would like your employees to have.
3. Write a list of questions you would ask potential employees.
4. Develop an evaluation to use with your employees.

Suggested Learning Measure: Computer-produced final copies of operational plan, including profits projection chart; edited, proofed, and corrected for grammar, spelling, and proper language use

Internet Resource: The Work Ethic Site
Lesson 4—Initiative
<http://workethic.coe.uga.edu/less4.html>