

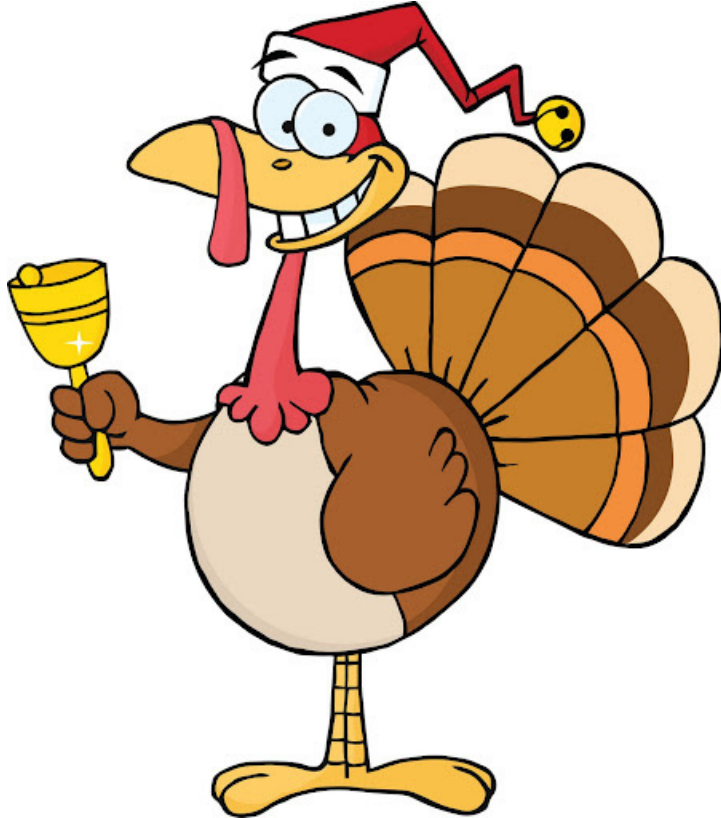
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Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!



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NOVEMBER

25th - 26th for Thanksgiving.

DECEMBER

24th - 27th for Christmas

31st for New Years Eve



TIPS FOR OLDER JOB SEEKERS



Learn how to market yourself

Focus on your strengths in the job search. With age comes wisdom, perspective, maturity, experience (both work and life). Market yourself around these important qualities. Keep your skills updated and seek training if you're a little rusty, or if you're interested in adding new tools to your toolbox. Your age isn't within your control, but your actions and attitude are.

Don't be afraid of change

Often, older, experienced job hunters feel like it's too late for them to pursue anything new, but that's patently untrue. In a study by Pay Scale, it was found that 82% of people who chose to make a career change after the age of 45 were successful in their transition—and many reported feeling happier in their new positions and earning more as well. So, if you're fantasizing about a totally new career, do your homework, find out what's required, head back to school if you need to or take the necessary courses, and have confidence in yourself. Throw your hat in the ring because there's really nothing to lose.

Remember how far you've come

Experienced hires really do have a leg up in the job search. You can use your decades of work history and diverse background to your advantage. With age comes the knowledge of what a dream job means to you—and opportunities to create it.

For more job search tips visit:

<https://www.themuse.com/advice/9-essential-tips-for-older-job-seekers-looking-for-their-next-awesome-opportunity>