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## *How To Attract Top Talent To Your Company*

In today's competitive job market, where top talent determines the course of a company's success, it is wise to use inventive recruitment techniques to attract the brightest and the best.

Social media is in the contemporary forefront for attracting talented individuals to your company. A well-placed twitter or LinkedIn post listing your company's benefits and requirements can bring surprisingly positive results. Not only that, but it costs your organization nothing to advertise for positions using this method. The key is to post notices that stand out and draw attention to the unique qualities of your business. Rename the job title to sound more attractive. A poorly written social media ad can actually scare candidates away.

Industry's associations are also excellent places to look as they can hold entire pools of labor that have the same leadership characteristics.

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**Are You Attracting Top Talent?**

## *Coaching With A Clearly Defined Purpose*

Coaching has become a widely accepted business practice in the pursuit of offering positive advice, support, and feedback to whole groups or individuals in order for them to understand the many ways in which they can enhance or improve the overall efficiency and success of their company. Coaching is a wonderful method that you can use in order to acquire a certain

work ethic or result that will boost sales, strategies, goal setting, communication, teamwork, employee accountability, leadership, and more. Coaching can be provided in an assortment of ways, which includes large-scale organizational work, group coaching sessions, and one-on-one coaching.

Whenever a company decides to utilize coaching for its staff and crew, it's important for executives and professional coaches to coach with a clearly defined purpose. Coaching sessions that bear vague outcomes & self-improvement messages are a waste of time and money because the overall purpose is unclear.

This type of coaching session is no more useful than a cheap motivational poster you could buy from a nearby bookstore. (Nothing wrong with those posters they just don't get you the desired outcomes.) You need to know what you're aiming to achieve before you can coach your employees properly.

### **Profiling the Different Purposeful Coaching Types**

Many companies are availing of the practice of the 360-degree consultation before instilling the coaching methodology.

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An untold number of talented job recruits are passive job seekers who find their positions through referral by another person in the same industry.

Networking events give small businesses the chance to get higher visibility in their industries and they afford the possibility of identifying potential employees. They also allow businesses to stay in touch with and remain fresh on the minds of their contacts and relationships.

***The interview process itself is one of the most important steps in attracting top talent.***



In the interview, the potential employee can show you what he or she can do, and it's also the perfect opportunity for the company's benefits to go on display. You can expose your company's competitive edge to the recruit.

People who represent your company in the hiring process must become convincing ambassadors for your company. The bottom line is that when the talented job candidate reviews all of his offers, it is important that your job offer stand out among the rest.

By offering attractive monetary incentives, companies can attract talented workers. However, non-monetary incentives are also important. Things such as company get-togethers can give the candidate a satisfying sense of unity and connectedness. However, offering equity shares of the company can accomplish this as well. If the economic crisis prevents a particular organization from offering competitive salary rates, the equity route can be an impressive way to compensate.

If you have any questions about this article, or about how we can help you with your current hiring needs, contact us today! ♦

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***"You are only as strong as your purpose; therefore let us choose reasons to act that are big, bold, righteous and eternal."***

***~ Barry Munro***

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This allows workers to use their own professional or life experiences in a beneficial manner to produce cooperative attitudes even with superiors. Every time a firm is viewed to be performing poorly, a professional business coach is usually employed to improve outcomes. However, these specialists could also be utilized when a business is successful. Coaches usually specialize in a variety of areas such as leadership coaching, corporate coaching, and executive coaching.

An employer or manager can also coach his staff by himself while opting to hire a business coach to handle organization-level coaching. In terms of hiring a coach for corporate coaching, it's best for business professionals—whether it's the employer or his employees—to share their woes with someone they trust. A coach who knows what he's doing will more likely help you revolutionize your company and set new and exciting proposals in motion. An effective coach is someone who's willing to build bridges of trust between himself and his client.

### **An Assessment of Purposeful Employer Coaching**



Whenever you're required to coach your employees, it's advisable for you to mention specific instances when they have performed well in their job in order to boost their morale and increase their motivation. A great coach would never say, "You're usually doing an excellent job!" to their workers. Recent, specific praise is important. In contrast, you need to mention problems without any editorializing in order to get straight to the heart of the matter. Keep discussions civil and professional in manner while keeping feelings out of the coaching session and focus on actions / results.

You need to state the problem and then offer constructive ways to prevent it from happening again.

What's more, you should practice what you preach: set a good example for your employees to follow in order for them to put more stock in what you're saying. ♦

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## *What are the best, most talented individuals looking for when they start looking for another job?*

Talented job candidates understand that they are the glue that holds contemporary companies together. Today, they hold much more leverage than they did twenty years ago. Therefore, it helps employers to know what the best, most talented individuals seek in a potential place of employment.

Providing talented employees with perks are essential. Monetary benefits are important, of course. Things such as retirement accounts and good insurance benefits matter a great deal. However, these days, the most talented candidates are seeking more. The potential for professional growth ranks highest after money. The good candidates are more likely to accept the jobs that offer them the greatest potential for professional growth. No one wants to be stuck in a dead-end job, regardless of how well it pays.



Second on the list of importance is the aspect of choice and control. The best recruits want options and choices within the confines of the organizational boundaries. They want to be able to make decisions about what is best for their own careers, as well as for the organization, without constant scrutiny. It is no longer acceptable to offer rigid, pre-determined job descriptions. Instead, talented professionals are attracted to jobs that will allow them to be creative and think outside the box. They want an attentive audience to listen to their ideas for change and they want to work for companies who will share their ideas for growth potential every step of the way. Top talent is attracted to the idea of lateral moves within the organization as well as moves up the ladder of success. They are attracted to the challenges of trying new things and gaining additions to their skill sets.

The majority of talented recruits want to be team players that are associated closely with other talented professionals who share their ideals and missions for the company and as individuals. These types tend to have elevated levels of integrity and want their co-workers to hold the same things important. They want to be challenged regularly, both by their assignments, as well as by their fellow team members. Truly talented professionals want to make impacts that help determine the outcomes of their projects and to know that if they leave the company, they will be well remembered for having worked there. ♦

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*"Ordinary people think merely of spending time.  
Great people think of using it."  
~ Unknown*



## *One Minute Ideas*

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## Exceptional Leaders...Keep Their Key Employees

Exceptional Leaders know that losing critical employees can be a significant blow to an organization. Moreover, in today's robust economy, companies are more vulnerable to turnover. Ambitious people need to feel that they are valued. They need to be challenged, appreciated, rewarded and respected. Exceptional Leaders ensure these needs are met. Most resignations come from dissatisfaction with the boss, the culture, the job, career progress, or, on occasion, inequitable compensation.

Exceptional leaders are alert to sources of satisfaction and dissatisfaction among their employees. They take the necessary initiatives to make changes when needed and continually "market" the value of working for the organization.

### Thought Provoker

- Do you continuously promote your "employment brand" both internally and externally, emphasizing the value of being a part of your organization?
- Are you aware of the dynamics of the current the job market and the potential for your people to be recruited by competitors for their skills?
- Are you close to your employees to know what is really going on with them in terms of their job satisfaction?
- Do you have a feedback system in place such as an employee satisfaction surveys?
- Do your managers treat employees with respect?
- Does your culture foster a sense of belonging and opportunity?



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## Here Are Three Easy Ways You Can Alleviate Stress – Right Now!

The first step in tackling stress is to understand that you are in control of it. Stress is not the outside world attacking you—stress is the way *you react* to the outside world. Two people may undergo the same experience, but one may feel "stressed" while the other may not. The person who feels easily stressed probably has a weaker coping mechanism.

*Here are some shifts you can make to reduce stress:*

- **Get physical.** Make exercise a part of your day—even taking the stairs instead of the elevator counts. Besides a million other positives, exercise enhances your ability to cope. Physical exertion provides you with the confidence and strength to keep slicing through adversity.



- **Sleep.** Seven to eight hours of sleep is a must to help refresh your mind. Throughout the night, your brain processes the day's information and prepares itself for gathering and receiving tomorrow's data. Without proper rest, you begin stacking new thoughts on top of old ones and the resulting overload takes the form of stress.
- **Be realistic.** You can avoid stress by dropping any unrealistic expectations you might have, such as needing unanimous approval for everything you do, thinking people should always respond the way you anticipate them to, and expecting to win every time. ♦

~ Adapted from *Your Workday*, by B. Hemphill and P. Quinn Gibbard (Reader's Digest)

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