



COWICHAN VALLEY School District

Ongoing applications are being accepted for the position of:

First Nations Cultural Teaching Assistant

Under the general supervision of the Principal or Delegate, provides a range of First Nations cultural education and Hul'q'umi'num' language curriculum opportunities and assists in the delivery of services and First Nations programs in classrooms, with groups or individual students and peers.

Duties Include:

- Assists the teachers in the delivery of First Nations culture and Hul'q'umi'num' language to Indigenous and non-Indigenous students.
- Assists teachers in the integration of First Nations content and perspective into existing curriculum which may include speaking on a specific topic.
- Regularly communicates with First Nations elders, Hul'q'umi'num' Language and Cultural Advisors and community members for advice and feedback regarding First Nations culture and language information and resources.
- Promotes awareness of First Nations culture to school staff and students.
- Maintains a daily written record of services provided to Indigenous students.
- Provides a positive First Nations role model for students.
- Operates a personal computer, laptop, photocopier, fax machine, and/or other technology for educational purposes.
- Other job-related duties in support of Indigenous students, as assigned by the Principal or Delegate.

The Applicant must have:

- Grade 12 or equivalent
- A recognized post-secondary program of 8 months in the Hul'q'umi'num' language such as the credited course offered or experience working at least 300 hours in the First People's Cultural Council (FPCC) Mentor Apprentice Program.

Skills:

- Basic computer skills
- Understanding of basic behaviour management techniques
- Proficiency in written and spoken English consistent with the assignment.
- Knowledge of First Nations culture and a demonstrated proficiency in the Hul'q'umi'num' language.

Experience:

- Experience working with children and youth for a period of greater than 12 months.

Other:

- Be able to follow established methods, protocols, policies, procedures and guidelines exercising independent judgment when required and be able to recommend changes.
- Show tact, courtesy and discretion in dealing with people in the course of his/her duties.
- Acknowledge the need for confidentiality with regard to information seen and/or heard in the course of one's duties.

This is a unionized position at an hourly salary of \$33.55. Full job description #79 available online: sd79.bc.ca

Please forward resume including transcripts, **cover letter**, and three work references with permission to contact to: **Human Resources, Support Staff** at 2557 Beverly Street, Duncan, BC or apply@sd79.bc.ca