

## First Nations Education Steering Committee

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## Occupational Therapist - First Nations Schools

The First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC) is an independent society led by a strong and diverse board of over 100 First Nations community representatives. FNESC is committed to improving education for all First Nations students in BC. FNESC works in partnership with the First Nations School Association (FNSEA), and the Indigenous Adult Higher Learning Association (IAHLA), as well as other partner organizations.

Since its establishment in 1992, FNESC has worked to communicate the priorities of BC First Nations to the federal and provincial governments and to support First Nations communities in working together to advance education issues. Communications, research, partnership-building and advocacy are all central to FNESC's activities.

We are currently recruiting for an Occupational Therapist to join our team and play a key role in our commitment to improve education for all First Nations students in BC.

As a member of the FNESC Instructional Services and Special Education team, the Occupational Therapist will provide ongoing support to schools through assessment and providing hands-on techniques to develop students' skills. . The Occupational Therapist is part of a professional team of coaches (Literacy, Assessment, Special Education, Language and Assistive Technology), Speech Language Pathologists, and Physiotherapists who support schools by regularly traveling to schools to work with students and school staff in their professional capacity. The Occupational Therapist assesses students, collaborates on Individual Education Plans, provides technique and strategy advice to teachers, completes student assessment reports, and attends quarterly Instructional Services and Special Education meetings. This position reports to the Manager, Special Education Programs.

The Successful candidate will be/have:

- A Degree (Bachelors or Masters) in Occupational Therapy;
- At least two (2) years' experience in a First Nations school setting or with First Nations students;
- Experience working in the pediatric OT field;
- A member in good standing of the College of Occupational Therapists for British Columbia;
- Excellent time management, organizational and record keeping skills;
- Sensitive to First Nation's culture, and educational issues;
- A valid driver's license and a satisfactory criminal record check; and,
- Computer literacy (Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.).

This is a part time position of various FTEs that runs from the end of August to the beginning of July, each school year. Extensive travel is required, as well as a home-based office. This position can be based anywhere in British Columbia. FNESC offers a competitive salary (\$56.50 per hour), ongoing professional development, and a professional and respectful workplace.

To apply, please forward your resume with a cover letter via email to [jobs@fnesc.ca](mailto:jobs@fnesc.ca).

We would like to thank all applicants for their interest in this position. However, only those selected for interviews will be contacted.

We are an equal opportunity employer and welcome application from all interested candidates.