

First Nations Education Steering Committee

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Occupational Therapist

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The Occupational Therapist position is an important role in FNESC's Special Education department. This position reports to the Team Lead, Occupational Therapists/Physiotherapists.

The Occupational Therapist (OT) is part of the FNESC Special Education team and will provide the necessary assessments, student programming, and community and staff training as required. The Occupational Therapist will collaborate with the FNESC Special Education team to develop a realistic approach to addressing the needs of students.

Since 1992, FNESC, led by a strong and diverse board of over 125 First Nations community representatives, has worked in partnership with the First Nations School Association (FNSEA), and the Indigenous Adult Higher Learning Association (IAHLA). Communications, research, partnership-building, resource development and advocacy are all part of the work we do to advance issues in First Nations education.

What We Offer:

- The salary for this position is \$82,482.00 per year;
- 8-weeks of paid vacation per year, based on the school year. (5 weeks in July and August, 1 week at Spring Break, and 2 weeks at Christmas being subject to annual board approval);
- Well above-average benefits plan that is 100% paid for by FNESC, that includes: extended healthcare, dental care, and vision care;
- Well above-average employer matched pension plan;
- Generous annual professional development subsidy;
- Generous wellness subsidy;
- Regular employee appreciation events;
- Respectful work environment with a stellar work-life balance;
- Opportunity to see beautiful British Columbia close up;
- Being part of a multi-disciplinary team made up of educational professionals, speech language pathologist, occupational therapists, assessment coaches, etc.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Collaborating with school staff, parents, and community members where applicable, to develop a realistic approach to addressing the needs of students within the resources available;
- Providing Occupational Therapy assessments for screened students at assigned First Nations Schools;

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- Providing summary of strategies/techniques to develop students' skills;
- Collaborating with the multidisciplinary team assigned to the school;
- Providing data, statistical reports as required to meet program accountability requirements and identify and implement strategies to increase program success;
- Providing follow-up support via telephone/email/videoconference as applicable and as deemed necessary by the school and as approved by FNESC;

What We're Looking For:

- Current registration with the College of Occupational Therapists of British Columbia (COTBC) and a Master's Degree from an accredited school of Occupational Therapist;
- Demonstrate experience and clinical competence including successful observation, assessment, and therapy skills;
- Ideally experience working with First Nations in the field of pediatric Occupational Therapy;
- Comprehensive understanding of First Nations education issues and First Nations issues in British Columbia;
- Knowledge of current standards, trends, issues, best practices, philosophy, and techniques in occupational therapy;
- Flexibility to travel to First Nations Schools in British Columbia;
- Possession of a valid Class 5 driver's license.

Hours

This is a salaried full-time position. Frequent travel is required throughout the province of BC.

Location:

Anywhere in British Columbia that might be suitable for FNESC's needs.

FNESC requires that all FNESC staff have at least two doses of COVID-19 vaccine for two reasons: First, because FNESC takes its responsibility to create and maintain a healthy workplace very seriously. And, second, because many of our staff attend First Nations communities in-person. Some First Nations have unique requirements and vulnerabilities related to communicable diseases like COVID-19, and FNESC always respects the needs of First Nations.

We thank everyone who applies for their interest in FNESC. Unfortunately, due to the volume of applications, we are only able to respond to those applicants who are selected for an interview. We cannot respond to telephone or email inquiries.

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