Job Description – Lilawagila School – Primary Teacher

Position Summary

The Dzawada’enuxw First Nation community school, Lilawagila, welcomes applications for a Grade K5 – Grade 3 Primary teacher. We are looking for an organized, compassionate teacher with confident classroom management skills. Applicants should be capable of creating a caring, and respectful environment for our students. Experience with indigenous students a plus.

Successful applicants need to be focused on improving student achievement and wellbeing and be positive members of our team. Lilawagila includes a (baby to K4) Head Start program, a K5 to Grade 3 Primary class, and a Grade 4 to Grade 7 Intermediate class.

Our Primary teacher works with an Education Assistant to instruct 6 students in BC Ministry of Education’s Core Competencies in Mathematics and English Language Arts. Our Primary teacher is responsible for teaching, assessment and reporting for all subjects in accordance with B.C. Ministry of Education curriculum content and competencies.

Desired Abilities, and Experience

- Recognizes the role of parents, extended family, and community in the life of students.
- Willing to learn and incorporate local environment and cultural experiences into lesson activities.
- Accepting of a variety of learning strategies.
- Demonstrated ability to contribute to an inclusive culture that is focused on the needs of diverse learners.
- Conflict resolution and problem-solving skills.
- Institute First Peoples Principles of Learning in all areas.
- Familiar with the implementation of early literacy.
- Prepare and update Education Plans for students.
- Coordinate remote support from developmental learning specialists.
- Committed to incorporating technology into teaching and studying.
Qualification/Requirements

- Be in possession of a British Columbia Teaching Certificate.
- Be a member of the BC College of Teachers in Good Standing.
- Experience teaching in a multi-grade setting.
- Have excellent interpersonal and classroom management skills.
- Demonstrate a professional work ethic and experience in a leadership position.
- Be willing to participate in local community and cultural events.
- Successfully pass a Criminal Record Check – vulnerable sector.
- Participation in community activities and events.

Dzawada’enuxw First Nation

Our community, Ukwanalis Village, is based alongside the Gwa’yí (Kingcome) River on the mainland in a glacier fed river valley, surrounded by tall mountains, across from the Northern tip of Vancouver Island.

We refer to ourselves as both the Dzawada’enuxw and the Musgamakw Dzawada’enuxw. The outside world sees us as four tribes, however, we have always been one people. We know this from our origin stories, co-habitation, and respectful shared resource use. The Dzawada’enuxw First Nation are members of the Kwakwaka’wakw group of nations. The Kwakwaka’wakw people occupy the lower central region of the Pacific Northwest Coast. We are an isolated community with travel in and out by only seaplane or boat.