

INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITION

Position: Peer Support Worker

Location: Gillam School
Start Date: As soon as possible

Hours/Days/Months: 3 hours/day, 4 days/week, 10 months/year

Term of Employment: Permanent

Salary: \$18.35/hour to \$21.83/hour (dependent on education)

Unionized/Non-Unionized: Non-Unionized Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

The PEER Support Worker acts as liaison between parents of pre-school children and the school's Early Years team to increase parental knowledge of and involvement with the child's physical, social, emotional and intellectual development.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Grade 12
- One year post-secondary education in child development or early childhood education in progress or completed
- Three years' experience working in a pre-school education environment including promoting nutrition and play and Early Years education
- Experience in providing information-sharing or training sessions to small groups or on-one-one with parents
- Thorough knowledge of early childhood development and child care agencies
- Knowledge of community and area resources
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to work independently and as a member of a team.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Establishes positive initial contact with parents of pre-school children age birth to 3 years
- Works together with the home to provide stimulating early childhood experiences prior to school entry
- Increases parental knowledge of their child's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development
- Promotes strong parent/school/community interrelationships with Frontier School Division
- Implements programming to develop parental involvement in a child's physical, social, emotional and intellectual development
- Acts as liaison between parents of pre-school children and the Early Years team at the school
- Consults with the Early Years team and other Area and Division staff regarding program support and resources
- Provides assistance to parents needing access to resources relevant to parenting skills
- Maintains records and reports pertaining to each family in the program
- Prepares daily journals of activity and meets bi-weekly with Principal to share and file these reports
- Consults with administrative staff or other appropriate school staff regarding program development or concerns
- Performs other related duties as may be assigned.

Applications should include a cover letter, current resume and a list of three professional references including contact numbers. Consent to contact references is also required.

All applicants are thanked for their interest; however, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. By applying, you are consenting that the Division may contact your references. The successful candidate will be required to submit a clear Criminal Record Check (including Vulnerable Sector Search) and Child Abuse Registry Check, at their own expense, as a condition of employment. Further information is available at www.fsdnet.ca

