

Wicoie Nandagikendan Immersion Program

Wicoie Nandagikendan is now accepting resumes for the position of a Dakota Language Preschool Teacher

Closing Date: September 29^h 2017

Start Date: October 16, 2017

Job Description: Dakota Language Preschool Teacher

Salary: Salaried Position, Benefits include PTO and paid holidays

Hours: 32 hours minimum with maximum 40 hours Monday through Friday

Programmatic Duties and Responsibilities:

Primary: The teacher will engage children ages 16 months to five years with Dakota language for 3 hours day. Once a day the teacher will come to the office to review or revise curricula and prepare for classroom activities. Daily documentation of daily lessons and classroom activities is required. Through out the year, broaden range the range of parental and teacher strategies and approaches covered, referencing the cultural practices of the Dakota people. All duties will be performed well within program deadlines.

- Teachers will attend classes on early childhood development, classroom management and language acquisition.
- Follow Wicoie Nandagikendan's curriculum model
- Perform assessments on the language growth of children
- Represent Wicoie Nandagikendan at forums, conferences and schools
- Create and disseminate information about the program in newsletters to parents
- Teach in the Dakota language without using English
- Use Standard Dakota Orthography in all curricula and classroom activities
- Provide a positive environment in which students are encouraged to learn
- Establish & maintain cooperative working relationships with administration, students, parents and childcare staff.
- Collaborate with peers to enhance language environment
- Develop and maintain an understanding of the education needs of the teachers/apprentices completing their practicums.
- Develop and refine a classroom observation assessment and complete one for each classroom observed.
- Observe classroom activity and teacher/student interactions.
- Share findings with classroom teachers.
- Meet with program (child care & public schools) directors each academic quarter.
- Assist in maintaining evaluation inputs including records of attendance at all project-training activities.
- Present ideas in school and program settings.
- Visit parents in their homes at the beginning, mid-and end of school year.
- Must be on time to work, meetings and other assigned tasks assigned by supervisor.
- Meet with WN staff weekly and report activities
- Review training curriculum with training coordinator on a continual basis
- Be willing to accept special assignments or tasks assigned by supervisor
- Be committed to being part of the immersion team
- Must be self motivated

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Graduate level preferred - will negotiate commensurate experience - Fluent/High Proficiency in Dakota
- Early Childhood Developmental experience
- Ease in working with families with varied educational backgrounds and language ability.
- Experience in teaching language acquisition in early childhood settings.
- Able to work collaboratively with childcare programs, consultants, and a wide range of community organizations/agencies
- Knowledge of the history of the Dakota peoples.
- Computer/software/social media skills.
- Able to work with a wide range of ages, especially very young children.

Send Resume to:

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