

Seeking Early Childhood Educator Assistant (ECE-A)

Join our team at Wild Wapiti Playschool Society!

Wild Wapiti Playschool Society is a new non-profit multi-age daycare for children aged 1-5 years old based in downtown Fernie, BC. We are looking for passionate and dedicated Early Childhood Educator Assistants (ECEAs) to join our team.

Inspired by our little town and big mountains we nurture a spirit of play, collaboration, kindness, independence and sustainability in each child. We are creating a best-in-class working environment where our qualified team will feel valued and supported in their day-to-day work, and in their further professional development as early childhood educators.

As we build our playschool community from the ground-up you can have the opportunity to help us with program design, philosophy and structure, if interested. The ECE-A/Coordinator will support the part-time in the classroom and part-time coordinating schedules, communicating with parents and supporting administration. Additional classrooms will be added as staffing allows, which could allow this position to become full-time.

Responsibilities will include:

- Supervising and engaging children during daily routines, indoor and outdoor play, meals, transitions, and learning activities.
- Supporting the delivery of inclusive, play based programming that promotes children's physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and language development.
- Assisting Early Childhood Educators with preparing and implementing developmentally appropriate activities and learning experiences.
- Building positive and respectful relationships with children and families.
- Supporting the inclusion and meaningful participation of all children, including children with diverse abilities and additional support needs.
- Assisting with individualized support strategies developed in collaboration with families and community professionals.
- Maintaining a safe, healthy, and welcoming learning environment in accordance with licensing requirements and centre policies.
- Contributing to observation, communication, and documentation practices that support children's wellbeing and development.



- Participating in team meetings, professional development opportunities, and collaborative planning activities.

Who you are:

- You're an enthusiastic, creative and patient educator looking for a full time position
- You value curious play, community, kindness, independence and sustainability
- You're passionate about for inspiring young children and helping them learn and grow
- You have experience caring for infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Or, you're keen to learn
- You're a brilliant communicator, with adults and children alike
- You have your ECE-A certificate or are currently working towards it
- Ideally, your CPR and First Aid Certification are up to date

Who we are:

- At Wild Wapiti Playschool, we nurture our kids' curious minds and kind hearts through child-led play-based learning, positive reinforcement and role-modeling
- We celebrate each other's uniqueness and support each child to grow, learn and discover in their own style
- Wild Wapiti Playschool is a safe and stimulating environment that provides opportunities promoting each child's independence, and sense of worth and belonging to both our group and local community
- We ground our learning by exploring our local and natural environments, and where possible encourage nature-based outside play and experiences with natural materials.
- We believe each child is uniquely valuable, and must be treated with respect and dignity by other children, and by all adults within our community
- We value our educators by providing livable wages and continuous learning opportunities and professional development. We know that the knowledgeable, engaged and empowered staff will make meaningful and lasting impressions on each child

How we value our team:

- 30-35 hours a week at \$22-\$25/hr with annual minimum 2% wage increases
- 3 weeks vacation
- Flexible health spending account or RRSP contributions
- Housing allowance
- 10 paid sick days
- Opportunities for professional development and team building

- Knowledgeable and involved board to lean on for support
- Support to secure housing is available through our strong local network

If you are keen to join our Wild Wapiti Playschool community, please submit your cover letter and resume to hello@wildwaptiplayschool.ca.

To learn more about Wild Wapiti Playschool Society visit www.wildwaptiplayschool.ca