

Seeking an Early Childhood Educator IT

Join our team at Wild Wapiti Playschool Society!

Wild Wapiti Playschool Society is a non-profit group child care centre for children aged 1-5 years old based in downtown Fernie, BC. We are looking for a passionate and dedicated Early Childhood Educator to join our talented team.

Inspired by our little town and big mountains we nurture a spirit of play, collaboration, kindness, independence and sustainability in each child. We have created 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.

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.
- 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 or part 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're knowledgeable in pedagogies such as child-led play-based learning, risky play, and/or environmental education, or you are willing to learn.



- You're a brilliant communicator, with adults and children alike.
- You have your BC ECE or in the process of obtaining 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 outdoor 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
- We embrace shared leadership, distributing management responsibilities across our team to foster collaboration and value everyone's input. This approach empowers staff, creating a sense of ownership and ensuring that all voices contribute to our success.

How we value our team:

- \$28-\$29.50/hr plus \$3/hr government/CBT wage enhancement, if eligible and approved, plus annual minimum 2% wage increases
- 6% vacation - equivalent to 3 weeks annually
- Flexible health spending account
- Housing allowance
- 10 annual paid sick days
- Additional support staff (ECE/ECE-A/RA) available during key times of the day
- Opportunities for professional development and team building

If you are keen to join our Wild Wapiti Playschool community, please submit your cover letter and resume to manager@wildwapitiplayschool.ca. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

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