



## Seeking Summer Childcare Support Staff (Canada Summer Jobs Position)

### Join our team at Wild Wapiti Playschool Society!

Wild Wapiti Playschool Society is a non-profit multi-age childcare centre for children aged 1–5 years old based in downtown Fernie, BC. We are looking for a compassionate and enthusiastic team player to join our dedicated staff team for an **8-week full-time summer position** through the **Canada Summer Jobs program**.

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 team feels valued and supported in their day-to-day work.

This position is ideal for youth who are passionate about working with children and interested in gaining hands-on experience in early childhood education and care.

#### Position Details:

- Full-time temporary summer position
- 35 hours per week
- 8-week contract
- Preferred start date: July 2026
- Hourly wage: \$19-24/hr based on qualifications and experience
- 6% accrued vacation pay

#### Eligibility:

This position is funded through the **Canada Summer Jobs program**. Applicants must:

- Be between **15 and 30 years of age** at the beginning of employment
- Be legally entitled to work in Canada
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person granted refugee status in Canada

Candidates with ECEA or Responsible Adult certification are encouraged to apply, though individuals who are eager to learn and work with children are also welcome. We may be able to support the right candidate in obtaining Responsible Adult certification.

**Who you are:**

- You're enthusiastic, creative, and patient
- You value curious play, community, kindness, independence, and sustainability
- You're passionate about 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 strong communicator with both adults and children
- CPR and First Aid Certification are considered an asset

**Who we are:**

At Wild Wapiti Playschool, we nurture children's curious minds and kind hearts through child-led, play-based learning, positive reinforcement, and role modeling.

We celebrate each child's uniqueness and support children to grow, learn, and discover in their own way.

Wild Wapiti Playschool provides a safe, stimulating environment that promotes independence, confidence, and a strong sense of belonging within both our group and the local community.

We ground our learning through exploration of our local and natural environments, encouraging nature-based outdoor play and experiences with natural materials whenever possible.

We believe every child is uniquely valuable and deserves to be treated with respect and dignity by both peers and adults within our community.

**Why join our team:**

- Gain valuable experience working in a supportive childcare environment
- Opportunity to learn about early childhood education and child development
- Work alongside a collaborative and caring team
- Potential opportunity for future casual or permanent employment
- Beautiful downtown Fernie location with a strong connection to outdoor learning and community

If you are excited to join the Wild Wapiti Playschool community, please submit your resume and a brief cover letter to [manager@wildwapitiplayschool.ca](mailto:manager@wildwapitiplayschool.ca).

To learn more about Wild Wapiti Playschool Society, visit:

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