

### INTERNAL/EXTERNAL POSTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

# Position: Cooperative Education Teacher – Matawa Learning Centre

### Background:

Formed in 1988, Matawa First Nations Management (Matawa) is a Tribal Council providing services to nine member communities in Northern Ontario. The organization is dedicated to providing its members with advisory and support services in the areas of communications, economic development, education, finance and business, health, membership and technical services.

The Matawa Education Department supports quality, accessible, community-based educational services for eight Matawa First Nations communities: Aroland, Eabametoong, Ginoogaming, Long Lake #58, Marten Falls, Neskantaga, Nibinamik, and Webequie First Nations. In addition to providing advisory services to Education Authorities and Matawa First Nations leadership, the Education Department administers post-secondary support services for 5 Matawa First Nations; operates the Matawa Education and Care Centre (MECC), a private secondary school located in Thunder Bay, Ontario; and coordinates the Student Nutrition Program for 8 schools/sites.

At this time, Matawa First Nations Management invites applications from qualified applicants for the position of **Cooperative Education Teacher** (CET) in the MECC. The MECC provides a unique learning environment to support students as they move toward the successful completion of their secondary education and continue on their pathways to work, training or post-secondary education programs.

### **Position Summary:**

The CET will develop the MECC Cooperative Education Program integrating workplace experience and expectations with the Ontario curriculum; develop a database of suitable partnering workplaces; develop partnerships with potential workplaces and organizations; conduct placement assessments of the workplaces, including developing student learning expectations and the creation of criteria for a Cooperative Education Placement Learning Plan specific to each student; select and prepare students for placement in a work environment based on the student's interests and capabilities, and academic experience (i.e., courses taken or completed); support student and workplace







supervisor throughout the program; monitor and assess student learning on an on-going basis; and assign a final mark for each student.

The successful candidate will hold, or be eligible to hold, an Ontario Certificate of Qualification and Registration and be a member in good standing with the Ontario College of Teachers. Expertise or experience in alternative education and/or Aboriginal education would be beneficial.

This position is based in Thunder Bay, but the CET will have to travel around Thunder Bay to monitor and support students in their placements and complete workplace assessments, and may have to travel to Matawa First Nations in all weather. The successful applicant will be required to submit a current Criminal Record Check, including vulnerable sector, and current "negative" result TB skin test. This is a contract position to the end of the school year June 2020, with possibility of extension, pending funding and a successful performance review.

## **Preferred Qualifications/Requirements:**

- A degree in Education, and 3 years successful teaching experience with experience as a secondary school teacher
- Additional qualifications in Cooperative Education preferred
- Knowledge and experience in Cooperative Education programs
- Knowledge and understanding of First Nation education
- Knowledge of and experience teaching in a private secondary school, including course preparation and record keeping
- Experience teaching in multi-grade classrooms
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively with staff, parents, administration, government and First Nation organizations
- Knowledge of Ojibway will be considered an asset
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Demonstrated interpersonal and teaching skills
- Valid Ontario Driver's License







For additional information, including specific qualifications for the position, please view the Job Description at the Matawa website: <u>www.matawa.on.ca</u>

**Salary:** We offer competitive salary commensurate with education and work experience.

Duration: Full-time contract to June 26, 2020

Please submit cover letter with resume and three employment references to:

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Closing Date: Until Filled

