



**INTERNAL/EXTERNAL POSTING
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Position: Education Partnership Program (EPP) Liaison

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 of Aroland, Eabametoong, Nibinamik, Long Lake #58, Ginoogaming, Neskantaga, Marten Falls, and Webeque First Nations. In addition to providing advisory services to Education Authorities and Matawa First Nation leadership, the Education Department administers post-secondary support services for 5 Matawa First Nations; operates the Matawa Learning Centre, a private secondary school located in Thunder Bay; and coordinates the Student Nutrition Program for 6 communities.

Matawa is inviting applications for the position of Education Partnership Program (EPP) Liaison with the Matawa Education Department.

Position Summary:

The Education Partnership Program (EPP) Liaison undertakes assigned activities in support of the EPP Joint Implementation Plan that are designed to improve the scope and quality of education programs and services available to NAN First Nation students attending provincially funded schools. This position is critical to the successful completion of EPP educational initiatives and for maintaining effective liaison with First Nations and assigned Provincial District School Boards (DSBs) and their respective schools.





The EPP Liaison is an integral member of the EPP team. This position is expected to effectively represent the EPP Partnership that includes Nishnawbe Aski Nation, the Ontario Ministry of Education and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada at the DSB, school and First Nation levels. Much of the work to be undertaken by this position requires development of effective local partnership initiatives at the school levels and as such, this position is well-suited to a candidate who has very effective interpersonal skills and who can function effectively as part of a team.

Preferred Qualifications and Experience:

The ideal applicant must have:

- A degree in Education or Administration, and 5 years experience as an education administrator, or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Knowledge and understanding of First Nation and Ontario education systems
- Experience in education leadership at the school or board/district level
- Knowledge of current issues, challenges and delivery models related to First Nation education
- Knowledge of Ojibway, Cree or Oji-Cree is considered an asset.

Applicants will also have excellent oral and written communication skills; excellent facilitation skills; demonstrated computer skills at a working level; demonstrated ability to work effectively with school staff, parents, administration, government and First Nations organizations; and hold a valid driver's license or the ability to obtain.

This position is based in Thunder Bay, Ontario, with travel to remote and isolated communities as needed. This position is a contract position to March 31, 2022, with a possibility of extension pending funding.

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





Please send your cover letter and resume with three employment references to:

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We thank all applicants for their interest in working with Matawa First Nations, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Application Deadline: Until Filled

