



**INTERNAL / EXTERNAL POSTING
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Starting August 2022**

Position: Youth Care Leader (Multiple Positions Available Full Time and Part Time)

Matawa First Nations is a progressive Tribal Council of nine Ojibway, Cree and Oji-Cree Northern Ontario First Nations. The Matawa Education Department delivers a variety of education programs and services for Matawa First Nation schools. The Matawa Education and Care Centre has recently completed a Student Accommodation Care Centre that will house up to 100 students from Matawa northern communities while they attend secondary school in Thunder Bay

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.

Matawa Education Department and Matawa Student Care Centre invites applications for the position of Youth Care Leader within the Student Care Centre. Available positions include Full Time and Part Time days, evenings and overnights.

Position Summary:

Reporting to the Youth Care Lead Supervisor and the Matawa Student Care Centre Manager, the Youth Care Leader (YCL) is responsible for the supervision and safety of Matawa students living in the Matawa Student Care Centre (MSCC). Youth Care Leaders will be responsible for the 24-hour physical supervision of the students while acting as a positive role model.





As a member of the Matawa Care Centre team, the YCL supports students living in the Matawa Student Care Centre as they move toward the successful completion of their secondary education. The YCL will work directly with students to build a healthy relationship of trust. The YCL will ensure they are maintaining a presence throughout the Care Centre and providing clear and consistent direction and expectations to the students. The YCL will work towards promoting a healthy and positive lifestyle for the students of the MSCC by dealing firsthand with issues that may arise, such as substance abuse, emotional issues, family and peer relationships. The YCL will consult with parents/caregivers, MSCC/ MEC administration, students and co-workers to determine student safety needs and develop appropriate responses to those needs.

Preferred Qualifications / Requirements:

- Grade 12 diploma;
- College diploma in one of the following areas: Community Services (Social Worker, Social Service Worker, Child & Youth Care, Native Child and Family Services); or equivalent community work experience; is considered an asset
- Successful residence/accommodations experience preferred;
- Ability to work independently and with confidentiality;
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of, and personal commitment to the Anishinaabe way of life with ongoing involvement with Anishinaabe culture and traditions;
- Understanding of issues faced by First Nation youth;
- Demonstrated working knowledge of Anishinaabe students and family cultural needs;
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills;





We offer competitive salary and benefits commensurate with education and work experience. This position will be based in Thunder Bay at the Matawa Student Care Centre. This is a contract position Starting August 15 2022 until June 28 2023, with a possibility of extension, pending funding and a successful performance review.

For additional information, including specific qualifications for the position, please visit the Matawa website: www.matawa.on.ca.

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

Vida Baxter, Student Care Centre Manager
Matawa First Nations Management
RE: **YOUTH CARE LEADER**

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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

