



Contracted Arts, Music & Drama Instructor – K–12

Location: Cadotte Lake School, Woodland Cree First Nation, Alberta

Position Type: Full-Time Contracted Services

Start Date: As soon as possible

Compensation: Competitive contracted rate, plus mileage and approved program supplies

Bring Your Art Into the Classroom. Inspire the Next Generation.

Woodland Cree First Nation Education Authority (WCFNEA) is seeking a **creative, energetic and skilled artist, musician, performing artist or drama instructor** to provide full-time contracted arts instruction to students from **Kindergarten through Grade 12** at Cadotte Lake School.

This is an exciting opportunity for a professional creative practitioner who wants to expand the impact of their work by sharing their craft with children and youth.

We are open to many forms of artistic practice. The successful contractor might bring expertise in **visual arts, music, singing, drumming, theatre, drama, dance, performance, multimedia, photography, film, creative writing, traditional arts, contemporary arts, or a combination of disciplines.**

We are especially interested in finding someone who believes that creativity belongs at the heart of education.

The Opportunity

Working collaboratively with school administration, teachers, Elders, cultural supports and other members of the WCFNEA team, the contractor will develop and deliver engaging arts-based learning experiences for students across Grades K–12.

Programming may include:

- Regular classroom-based arts, music or drama instruction;

- Hands-on workshops and creative projects;
- Individual and group music instruction;
- Theatre productions, performances, concerts or showcases;
- Student art exhibitions and community celebrations;
- Opportunities for students to explore different artistic mediums and forms of creative expression;
- Integration of arts programming into other areas of learning;
- Support for school celebrations, cultural events and special projects;
- Mentorship of students who demonstrate particular interests or talents in the arts; and
- Collaboration with local artists, musicians, Elders and community members where appropriate.

Who We Are Looking For

We are looking beyond traditional credentials to find someone with **genuine artistic ability, experience and a passion for working with young people.**

The successful contractor may be a professional or practicing:

- Artist or illustrator;
- Musician, vocalist or music instructor;
- Theatre or drama practitioner;
- Dancer or performing artist;
- Photographer, filmmaker or multimedia artist;
- Traditional or land-based artist;
- Creative arts facilitator; or
- Multidisciplinary artist.

Formal education in fine arts, music, theatre, education or a related discipline is an asset, but **professional experience, demonstrated artistic practice and the ability to inspire young people will also be strongly valued.**

Experience working with children, youth, First Nations communities or educational environments would be considered an asset.

What WCFNEA Will Provide

WCFNEA wants the successful contractor to have the resources necessary to build an exceptional program. We will provide:

- A **competitive contracted services rate** based upon experience and scope of programming;
- **Mileage reimbursement** for approved travel;
- Funding for **approved art, music, drama and instructional supplies**;
- Access to school facilities and learning spaces;

- Support from school administration and staff; and
- The opportunity to develop creative programming that can grow alongside the interests and talents of our students.

A Unique Creative Opportunity

This position offers something unusual: the opportunity for an artist to make their **creative practice part of the everyday life of a school**.

We want our Learners to paint, perform, sing, create, experiment, tell stories, make music and discover talents they may not yet know they possess.

For the right creative professional, this is an opportunity to do more than teach a class—it is an opportunity to **build an arts culture within a K–12 school and leave a lasting influence on a generation of young people**.

Contract Requirements

The successful contractor will be required to meet WCFNEA requirements for individuals working with children and youth, including a satisfactory criminal record and vulnerable sector check and any other applicable organizational requirements.

Programming will be developed in collaboration with WCFNEA and Cadotte Lake School administration.

How to Apply

Interested applicants are encouraged to submit:

- A brief résumé or description of professional experience;
- A short statement describing the artistic discipline(s) they could bring to our students;
- Examples, portfolio links, recordings or photographs of their work, where applicable; and
- References relevant to their professional or community work.

We welcome applications from both established professionals and emerging artists with significant skill, enthusiasm and a strong desire to work with young people.

Applications will remain open until a suitable contractor is found.

Woodland Cree First Nation Education Authority

Cadotte Lake School

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Learning through creativity, culture, connection and experience.

