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## **American Sign Language (ASL) Specialist - Contract Position**

The focus of the Provincial Outreach Program Deaf and Hard of Hearing (POPDHH) is to collaborate with school districts in meeting the needs of all Deaf and Hard of Hearing learners. Through collaborative consultation POPDHH supports educational teams in addressing the unique communication and learning styles of individual Deaf and Hard of Hearing students. To reach every student's potential, POPDHH promotes goals of and develops programs to increase language development, literacy, numeracy, cognitive development, self-advocacy, and self-confidence in becoming responsible, global citizens.

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Teach ASL as a second language curriculum to Deaf & Hard of Hearing (DHH) secondary school students, using an online video platform
- Teach other, non-credit POPDHH ASL programs as required to students in groups or in 1:1 settings
- Work with DHH students through video conferencing and in person when possible, with an emphasis on language acquisition using a bilingual approach to language learning.
- Assess students' receptive and expressive language skills in ASL and provide student reports
- Provide professional development opportunities for Deaf Education Professionals to build ASL skills and an appreciation of bilingual educational approaches.
- Communicate with students and Educational Teams in English and American Sign Language, and share knowledge of ASL, Deaf culture and history.
- Create resource videos in ASL for Educational Teams and student use.
- Perform related duties as required.

### **QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:**

- ASL Proficiency Index (ASLPI) Level 4 or higher
- Formal training related to ASL instruction or minimum 5 years of work experience
  - BC Teaching Certificate would be preferred but not required
- Experience working with students in grades K to 12
- Experience or willingness to learn to use an online course platform (Canvas, Go React, True Way ASL, Blackboard, etc.)
- Thorough knowledge of computer operation and software applications related to work performed.
- Ability to communicate effectively at the level required for the job.
- Demonstrated ability to work at the level of independence and with the degree of initiative appropriate to the position

### **HOURS AND DAYS OF WORK:**

- 12 hours per week
- Schedule can be negotiated but preference given to candidates available 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm on weekdays during school year

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

- Ability to travel throughout the province of British Columbia
- Flexibility to work remotely
- Valid BC driver's licence
- Criminal Record Check required

## **COMPENSATION AND PERKS:**

- \$35.00 - \$38.00 hourly rate, based on education and experience
- Exciting work environment – cooperative, fun, inclusive, & inspiring
- ASL professional development opportunities available

## **START DATE:**

- The week of September 6th, 2021

## **CONTACT:**

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