

Job Description

Position Title: Blackfoot Language and Culture Coordinator

Reports to: Superintendent

Overview

Reporting to the Superintendent, the Blackfoot Language & Culture (BLC) Coordinator will collaborate with all PBOE staff and the BLC committee to ensure that Blackfoot language, culture, history, and protocols are evident in all PBOE organizational activities. The BLC Coordinator will continue the documentation, research, stabilization and promotion of Piikanissini and the Blackfoot Language and Culture. The BLC Coordinator will work within the policies and procedures established by Peigan Board of Education.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Lead the development of structure and protocol of Elder/resource presentations
- Assist in the research and plan development of Blackfoot 30 graduation requirement for PNSS students
- Manage the development of the Piikani Language Revitalization Initiative
- Ensure the ongoing education of Piikani students in Piikanissini by consulting and collaborating with Piikani Elders, storytellers and historians to bring authentic cultural components into classrooms
- Ensure Piikani students are educated in Treaty 7 and the Blackfoot Confederacy as it relates to Piikanissini
- Ensure Piikani students are educated in the Truth & Reconciliation on Indian Residential Schools
- Provide the opportunity to Piikani students and their families in the Piikani traditional name giving ceremony
- Research and implement a locally developed instructional program for Blackfoot language and culture
- Assist in the coordination of Blackfoot Language & Culture instruction by developing a BLC work plan in collaboration with the BLC committee
- Assist in the development of a strategy for Blackfoot Language instruction to all PBOE educators, teachers, elders through professional development
- Assist administrators in implementing BLC / Piikanissini program of studies into all subjects
- Evaluate and develop strategies to measure student success in language and culture revitalization initiatives
- Assist educators in the development and implementation of multiple intelligence strategies and methods of instruction
- Provide online BLC content to the PBOE website and ensure the content is continuously updated
- Complete the development and writing of the book: *Piikani: A Nation in Transition (Vol. 2)*
- Host and administer the Elders Senate
- Proposal writing

Education & Experience:

- Post-secondary degree in education or in the social sciences or relevant field of study
- 5-7 years of program management experience
- Strong knowledge and awareness of Blackfoot Language and Culture (Piikanissini)
- Fluent speaker of the Blackfoot language
- Must have valid driver's license and transportation
- Must have clean security record checks
- Must provide letters of reference from a minimum of two Piikani Nation Elders

Qualifications:

- Strong communication, writing and organizational skills are essential
- Effective interpersonal, analytical skills and problem solving skills
- Experience in planning, developing and implementing events and activities
- Ability to work unsupervised and demonstrate motivation and initiative

Interested candidates may apply by fax or email with cover letter, resume, copies of education requirements, letters of reference & security checks to:

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Application Deadline: August 5, 2022

We would like to thank all applicants, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.