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# Head Lifeguard

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## Job Information

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Closing Date

15 May 2024

Type

Permanent, Full-time (CUPE)

Location

Grande Prairie AB

Building

Eastlink Centre

## Detailed Job Description

### The Region

Home to endless skies and boundless opportunities, Grande Prairie is in the heart of the Peace Region in Northwestern Alberta. The largest urban centre north of Alberta's capital, Grande Prairie is a thriving young city of over 69,000 with a median age of 34. Whether it's parents pushing a stroller, children filling the Eastlink Centre, or families biking on one of the many trails, there are signs of youth everywhere you turn. Grande Prairie's youthfulness arises from the exciting opportunities that enabled population growth of over 73% between 2001 and 2021. More than 80 different cultural and ethnic groups contribute to the community which not only serves as a hub for the surrounding area but also as the heart of a thriving regional population of almost 300,000 people.

Attracting businesses, jobs, and people is enabled by a well-balanced blend of agricultural industry, strategic location, and diverse wealth of natural resources including oil, natural gas, coal, and lumber. This diversity provides a great opportunity for careers across a variety of industries. In addition, Alberta's newest Polytechnic

institution (Northwestern Polytechnic) serves as the capstone for an outstanding local educational system that facilitates personal and career growth across a full range of opportunities.

The community offers an intriguing mix of mid-size city community and big city amenities that is often referred to as “urban without urban grind”. There is endless possibility for residents to get involved and connected! For sport and recreation fans, there is a wide variety of parks and trails to explore across the city, as well as several state-of-the-art recreational facilities. An exciting and engaged arts and culture community is also very active in venues such as the Montrose Cultural Centre, the Centre for Creative Arts and the Grande Prairie Live Theatre and supported by a multitude of cultural and neighbourhood associations.

With something for everyone, Grande Prairie is the perfect place to thrive

## **The Opportunity**

The Head Lifeguard is responsible to lifeguard and instruct Aquatic programs while mentoring other staff. Work is performed while ensuring the safety and well-being of patrons at all times through education and training.

The Head Lifeguard performs rescues and first aid as required, ensuring an effective, efficient and safe operation of the Aquatic area while procedures and safety of the staff and patrons in the aquatic area is maintained.

The main purpose of this position is to mentoring and direct support of the Aquatics department staff. This position requires strong leadership ability, and experience and training to train others, orientate and encourage.

In addition, the Head Lifeguard must have the knowledge and skills to act in a Crew Chief Capacity as required and be proactive in dealing with issues before they arise.

## **Responsibilities**

In this leadership position you will work with CUPE staff and facility operation crew. You will stay ahead of aquatics trends and respond to the community need ensuring that services offered on deck are of a high and consistent quality. You will be providing a strong leadership presence on deck at the Eastlink Centre and at the Aquatera Outdoor pool. You'll respond to emergent scenarios on deck as needed and will provide mentorship and guidance to a contingent of guards.

## **You Bring**

### **Requirements**

- 18 years of age
- Current WSI, NLS, AEC or equivalent
- WHMIS
- Advanced training in a specialized field of interest by carrying 2 current advance certificates. (i.e.: LSI, Pool Operator, WSIT, NLI, AECL, or other acceptable area)
- Minimum of 2 years' of Aquatic leadership or equivalent as determined by the supervisor.
- Ability to operate computer equipment and programs
- Ability to operate within all operational hours

*Compensation relief funding for certification costs may be available to qualified applicants who display a dedication to the industry and commitment to professional growth within the Aquatics Department.*

## **Hours**

40 hours a week, with rotational shifts that include nights and weekends.

## **Salary/Wage**

\$36.56 as per the Collective Agreement.

## **Selection Process**

We thank you in advance for your interest. Those selected for an interview will be contacted by phone or email. We will contact those who did not make it to the interview stage by email within 60 days of the closing date of this job posting.

1. Submit a cover letter and resume using the "Apply Now" tab on this web page.
2. Applications will be reviewed, and short-listed and interviews will be scheduled.

**Note:** Once you apply and upload a resume you should receive an email confirming that your application has been submitted for this position. If you receive this email, there is NO further need to contact us regarding this position.

- This posting may be used to fill future vacancies in this position.
- This posting may be used to fill more than one position.
- This posting will be open until a suitable candidate(s) is/are found.

Due to the high number of applications we receive per job posting, we cannot answer job-specific questions before the interview. If you are successful in getting to the job interview stage, we will be more than happy to answer any questions you might have at that time.

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