

Lifeguard I

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Job Information

Positions Available

3

Closing Date

15 May 2024

Type

Permanent, Part-time (CUPE)

Location

Grande Prairie AB

Building

Community Knowledge Campus (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

Lifeguard I is responsible for monitoring the safety of patrons, preventing harm or injury to staff and the public, and instructing learn to swim and intro to lifeguard programs. Ensures the safety and well-being of patrons through education and training opportunities. Performs rescues and medical support as required. Ensures effective, efficient, and safe operations while maintaining aquatic procedures and providing a clean work environment. Lifeguard I staff have the additional possibility of acting in a mentor capacity to other staff, that can provide direction to on-deck shift operations and customer service.

Responsibilities

- Warns swimmers of improper activities or danger and enforces pool regulations and water safety policies.
- Administers first aid in the event of an injury, rescues swimmers in distress or danger or drowning, and administers CPR and/or artificial respiration, if necessary.
- Teaches swimming techniques, strokes, and water safety rules to students with varying swimming abilities.
- Assists more experienced swimmers to enhance their swimming abilities.
- Assessing the progress of swimmers and adjusting teaching programs accordingly.
- Monitoring students to prevent accidents and injuries.
- Implementing ground rules for each swim session.
- Plans swimming lessons that consider a swimmer’s abilities and progressive development.
- Identifying incorrect swimming techniques and correcting students accordingly.
- Ensuring that the swimming pool is kept clean and tidy.
- Provides exceptional customer service
- Must be able to work with patrons of varying ages, in independent and team situations.
- Must be able to problem solve

You Bring

- Current Lifesaving Society Swim Instructor Award
- Current Lifesaving Society National Lifeguard Award
- Current Standard First Aid
- Leadership Experience

- Basic computer knowledge
- Ability to make decisions and select a course of action.
- Effective communication
- Ability to work well with others.
- Ability to respond to emergencies.
- Ability to adapt and work within changing situations.
- Ability to apply innovative thinking to problem-solving.
- Must be reliable and punctual.
- Ability to work shift work, including evenings and weekends.

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

The successful candidate will be required to work outside of traditional business hours to ensure the fulfillment of safe operations. This position requires 35-40 hours per week with scheduling to be determined by the supervisor.

Compensation

The rate of pay is in accordance with the CUPE Collective agreement and will be \$27.66 per hour.

Selection Process

We appreciate your interest in our organization, and we thank you in advance for your application. Candidates selected for an interview will be notified via phone or email.

1. To apply for this position, please utilize the "Apply Now" tab on this web page to submit your comprehensive cover letter and up-to-date resume.
2. Our application review process includes a thorough evaluation of all submissions. Short-listed candidates will be contacted for interview scheduling.
3. This posting may be open until a suitable candidate(s) is/are found.

Note: After submitting your application and uploading your resume, you should expect to receive an email confirmation indicating that your application for this position has been successfully submitted. If you receive this email, there is no need for any additional contact with us regarding this position.

To efficiently manage the high volume of applications we receive for each job posting, we are unable to address job-specific inquiries prior to the interview stage. However, if you progress to the job interview stage, we will gladly provide answers to any questions you may have.

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