



Dream of Wild Health

Title: Cultural Teacher (Dakota/Lakota) **Status:** Seasonal FT, May-Sep
Reports to: Executive Director **Salary:** \$15-\$18 hourly/DOQ

The Cultural Teacher will work closely with the program team to support the day to day operations of summer youth programming and lead Dakota and/or Lakota teachings to ensure program success for intertribal youth participants. This individual will provide youth program development opportunities in alignment with the mission; and may provide transportation to and from the farm in Hugo, MN. The ideal candidate has demonstrated knowledge of Dakota or Lakota culture and language, a strong passion for Native culture, youth leadership development, and mentorship. This position may be extended to address program needs.

Responsibilities & Expectations:

- Attend staff trainings, weekly team and program meetings
- Support coordination of summer youth education programs, including youth recruitment, curriculum, goals, forms and reporting, supply and equipment needs, daily schedules and activities, behavior guidelines and enforcement, and evaluation
- Build positive relationships with youth and their families
- Provide training to youth participants to become leaders in the community
- Collaborate with the DWH team regarding youth activities
- Assist with meeting preparation, logistics and communications with youth, their families, and staff regarding program activities, transportation and updates
- Support program documentation and evaluation needs related to grant reporting needs
- Fulfill administrative duties associated with the job
- Must be willing to adapt to change, fill in during staff absences and meet DWH needs
- Assist in programming activities and other duties as assigned

Qualifications:

- Two year degree; or equivalent experience preferred
- Knowledge of Native American (Dakota and/or Lakota) culture, language, and/or history preferred
- Demonstrated knowledge of youth program coordination
- Demonstrated ability to meet grant objectives
- Ensure that program activities are consistent with mission, cultural values and organic principles
- Ability to communicate effectively and work collaboratively with staff, youth and families
- Experience working with Native American youth and community

Must pass a background check and have a valid driver's license. Travel to and from the Hugo farm is required. May transport youth using a passenger van. Must have ability to work outdoors for long periods of time wearing a mask at all times; and flexibility to work occasional evenings and/or weekends.

Onboarding and training begins in May. Summer programs are currently scheduled to begin in June (pending COVID restrictions). Programs include 2 weeks in June, 3 weeks in July and August.

To Apply: Submit cover letter and resume to Bryan at Bryan@dreamofwildhealth.org. Open until filled.

Mission: To restore health and well-being in the Native community by recovering knowledge of and access to healthy Indigenous foods, medicines and lifeways.