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**Download transcript at:**

[www.leg.bc.ca/cmt/39thparl/session-1/cay/hansard/Y00127x.htm](http://www.leg.bc.ca/cmt/39thparl/session-1/cay/hansard/Y00127x.htm)

*NOTE: This is a DRAFT TRANSCRIPT ONLY of debate in one sitting of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia. This transcript is subject to corrections, and will be replaced by the final, official Hansard report.*

**If you missed yesterday's presentation, you can access the Audio recording at:**

[www.leg.bc.ca/cmt/39thparl/session-1/cay/index.htm](http://www.leg.bc.ca/cmt/39thparl/session-1/cay/index.htm)

**On the first Bullet item **BLUES** (Updated 2010/01/27 at 4:10 p.m.) Wednesday, January 27, 2010 a.m., Click on **AUDIO**.**

**CHILD CARE AWARDS****MCFD Third Annual Child Care Awards of Excellence Nominations Now Open**

The Ministry of Children & Family Development has now opened the Third Child Care Awards of Excellence Nomination period, including the Lenora Pritchard Award of Excellence for outstanding leadership and mentorship in the field of Aboriginal Child Care. Nominations for these awards will be accepted until **February 28, 2010**. For details and further information please refer to the Nomination Guidelines at the following website: [www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/childcare/awards/index.htm](http://www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/childcare/awards/index.htm)

For more information, contact Lara Woodman at [Lara.Woodman@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Lara.Woodman@gov.bc.ca)

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

### Aboriginal Community Consultation Sessions by Community Living British Columbia— Kamloops (March 2), Lytton (March 4), Kelowna (March 5), Interior BC

#### Location and Dates:

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| ● | Kamloops Henry Grube Centre | March 2 | 9 am to 3 pm |                         |
| ● | Kelowna Friendship Centre   | March 5 | 9 am to 3 pm | <i>Refreshments and</i> |
| ● | Lytton Memorial Hall        | March 4 | 9 am to 3 pm | <i>lunch will be</i>    |
| ● | Kamloops Henry Grube Centre | March 2 | 9 am to 3 pm | <i>provided</i>         |

#### Purpose: To meet with Aboriginal Communities:

- To learn more about the needs and challenges of Aboriginal adults with developmental disabilities
- To create linkages in Aboriginal communities
- To provide information on CLBC Services
- To gather feedback and recommendations regarding gaps, needs and services for Aboriginal adults with disabilities

**Who Should Attend:** Aboriginal People with Disabilities, Self Advocates, Family Members, Elders, Community Members, Service Providers, Leaders, Youth, CLBC Representatives, Anyone who is interested

To assist with planning, please pre-register. No cost to attend.

#### Contact Information

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Donna Goodwater, Aboriginal Provincial Advisor  
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### Aboriginal Community Consultation Sessions by Community Living British Columbia in Vancouver Coastal Region— Duncan (March 15), Vancouver (March 16), Chilliwack (March 17)

#### Location and Dates:

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|---|---|----------|--------------|
| ● | Duncan—Quw'stun' Cultural & Conference Centre | March 15 | 9 am to 3 pm |
| ● | Vancouver—Aboriginal Friendship Centre        | March 16 | 9 am to 3 pm |
| ● | Chilliwack—Sto:lo Nation Government House     | March 17 | 9 am to 3 pm |

*Refreshments and lunch will be provided*

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To assist with planning, please pre-register. No cost to attend.

**Deadline for Registration: March 1**

**Contact Information**

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Donna Goodwater, Aboriginal Provincial Advisor  
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Email: [donna.good.water@gov.bc.ca](mailto:donna.good.water@gov.bc.ca)

**Aboriginal Community Consultation Sessions by Community Living British Columbia in Northern BC – Terrace (March 22), Prince George (March 24), Fort St. John (March 26),**

**Location and Dates:**

- Terrace—Nisga’a Society Community Room      March 22      9 am to 3 pm *Refreshments &*
- Prince George—Friendship Centre      March 24      9 am to 3 pm *lunch will be*
- Fort St. John—Royal Canadian Legion      March 26      9 am to 3 pm *provided*

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**Contact Information**

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**FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIP NEWS**

**Dream Fund Education Achievement Bursary and Reach for Success Bursary Application  
Deadline Mar 12, 2010**

The Dream fund is an educational bursary for former youth in care who plan to pursue an academic, vocational training, secondary, upgrading programs, or personal/professional success activity. There are currently two bursaries that the Dream Fund offers:

1. The **Educational Achievement Bursary** assists young people in and from care with the financial costs of tuition, books and supplies for post-secondary academic, technical or academic upgrading. ***This post-secondary bursary is available to a maximum of \$2,500 per semester.***
2. The **Reach for Success Bursary** assists young people in and from care with personal or professional development by helping them to participate in extracurricular activities, workshops, tutoring, conferences, as well as other skill building activities. ***This is a bursary for one-time only or short-term courses to a maximum of \$500 per year.***

**Note:** *These bursaries will be sent directly to the school, host agency, or individual trainer for tuition or registration fees, books and supplies, according to the dates listed below, however, if the funds are needed earlier to meet school fee deadlines, the applicant should inform the Selection Committee immediately.*

**ELEGIBILITY**

Education Achievement Bursary	Reach for Success Bursary
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. You are a former youth in care either under a continuing custody order (CCO) or temporary custody order (TCO, Voluntary Care Agreement or Special Care Agreement) or Youth Agreement in B.C. under the Child, Family and Community Services Act.</li> <li>2. You are a Canadian Citizen or a Landed Immigrant.</li> <li>3. You are under the age of 25.</li> <li>4. You are currently enrolled or planning to enroll in a secondary, post-secondary academic, technical or vocational program, a recognized public post-secondary institution, or a registered private post-secondary institution.</li> </ol> <p><i>Note: A list of registered private post-secondary institutions in BC can be found on The Private Career Training Institutions Agency (PCTIA website <a href="http://www.pctia.bc.ca">www.pctia.bc.ca</a> )</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. You are a former youth in care either under a continuing custody order (CCO) or temporary custody order (TCO, Voluntary Care Agreement or Special Care Agreement) or Youth Agreement in B.C. under the Child, Family and Community Services Act.</li> <li>2. You are a Canadian Citizen or a Landed Immigrant.</li> <li>3. You are under the age of 25.</li> <li>4. You are currently enrolled or planning to enroll in a personal or professional development course or activity.</li> </ol>

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

Education Achievement Bursary	Reach for Success Bursary
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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Maximum two-page description of your educational goals and future aspirations for the next 2-3 years. Format: typed, 12 point font, single space</li> <li>2. Maximum 1 page description of your challenges and obstacles.</li> <li>3. Maximum 2 page description of achievements and successes.</li> <li>4. Two reference letters; these can be from a school teacher, advisor, counselor, worker or employer.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>One reference letter:</b> This can be from a school teacher, advisor, counsellor, worker employer, family member, or other supportive adult in your life.</li> </ol>
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#### How to Apply:

- Complete the application form (download from [www.fbcyicn.ca/dreamfund](http://www.fbcyicn.ca/dreamfund) ) and provide as much detail as possible on each of the templates provided. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Completed application forms and all original attachments must be received by mail or in person before the second Friday of March, July, and October.
  - Friday, Mar 12, 2010 (May-Aug semester)
  - Friday, Jul 9, 2010 15 (Sep-Dec semester)
  - Friday, Oct 8, 2010 (Jan-Apr semester)
  - For those applying to the Reach for Success Bursary – applications are due one month before workshop or activity is to take place

*Note: Keep a photocopy of your application for your records.*

Application packages should be dropped off or mailed to:

**FBCYICN**  
**Dream Fund Selection Committee**  
 55 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
 New Westminster, BC  
 V3M 3N9

Applications received after the deadline will not qualify for consideration. Successful applicants will be advised of the status of their application by a written letter within 2 weeks of the application deadline. Please inform us immediately if you move or change your contact information. If we are not able to connect with you, you will not qualify for consideration.

Questions or assistance about the Dream Fund application process, please contact:  
**Youth in Care Program Manager - Dream Fund:**

604-527-7762

Toll Free: 1-800-565-8055

[dreamfund@fbcyicn.ca](mailto:dreamfund@fbcyicn.ca)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Young Children's Rough and Tumble Play: Apprehensions and Opportunities**

**When: February 2nd, 2010, 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**

**Where: Room 116, Harry Hickman Building, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC**

This presentation will illustrate research on rough and tumble play and consider the distinct behavioral expressions of young children in early childhood settings.

\* **For more information, please visit: [www.reach.uvic.ca](http://www.reach.uvic.ca)**

### **The Early Years Conference: The Rights of the Child Feb 4-6, 2010 in Victoria, BC**

**Location:** The Victoria Conference Centre and the Fairmont Empress  
720 Douglas Street, Victoria BC

#### **Objectives:**

- To learn about the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child and how to incorporate the principles of the convention into daily practice
- To promote focused dialogue among individuals and groups who support early child development and learning
- To explore ways to communicate and support one another's work with children and families
- To develop collaborative strategies that highlight and advocate for the Rights of the Child
- To exemplary practices incorporating the U.N. Convention

**Online Registration:** Visit [www.interprofessional.ubc.ca](http://www.interprofessional.ubc.ca) or call (604) 827-3112.

### **13th Annual Early Learning Conference: Children: The Heart of the Matter**

**When: February 5th-6th, 2010**

**Where: Earl Marriott Secondary, 15751 16th Ave. Surrey, BC**

Children: The Heart of the Matter conference brings together all those involved in the care and education of young children.

\* **For more information and to register, please visit:**

**[www.childcareoptions.ca/news\\_and\\_announcements.php#110](http://www.childcareoptions.ca/news_and_announcements.php#110)**

*The keynote speaker at the Children: the Heart of the Matter Conference, Cindi Seddon will discuss **When is it Bad Play and When is it Bullying: Determining the Appropriate Responses for Inappropriate Interaction between Preschool and Early School Age Children.***

*Cindi will present on Friday, February 5 from 7:00 – 9:00 PM at Earl Marriott Secondary School in Surrey. The cost is \$10. Contact 604-572-8032 for more information.*

## JOB POSTINGS

**Full-Time ECE Assistant needed for the 3-5 year old Daycare/Head Start Room at the Snc'c'amlan Early Childhood Education Centre, Okanagan Indian Band, Vernon, BC - NEW**

**MUST HAVE:**

- Early Childhood Education Certificate and eligible for License to Practice
- Infant/Toddler Certificate and/or Special Needs Certificate an asset
- Must have reached 19 years of age
- Current First Aid/CPR
- Experience working with 3 to 5 year old children in a group daycare setting
- Ability to work cooperatively and show respect for all other Snc'c'amala?tn staff and programs

Preference may be given to those having knowledge of the Okanagan Indian Band community

Hours of work: Between 7:30 am and 5:30 pm (7.5 hours/day with a one hour unpaid lunch)

May be alternating shifts

Pay \$14.00/hour plus benefit package

Start date: March 15, 2010

A **Criminal Record Check**, **Medical Certificate** and **References** are required.

**Deadline for Applications: Friday, March 5 at noon**

Please state position applying for and direct resume and cover letter to:

Okanagan Indian Band  
12420 Westside Road  
Vernon, B.C.  
V1H 2A4  
email [okibhr@okanagan.org](mailto:okibhr@okanagan.org)

Phone (250) 542-4328 Fax (250) 542-4990

ONLY THE APPLICANTS WHO ARE SCREENED FOR AN INTERVIEW WILL BE CONTACTED

### **Full-Time Senior Early Childhood Educator Needed at Eagles Nest AHS Preschool, Downtown Vancouver, BC - NEW**

The BC Aboriginal Child Care Society has an opening for **one full time Senior Early Childhood Educator** at Eagles Nest Aboriginal Head Start Preschool. The Sr. ECE is responsible for the leadership, planning, and implementation of a classroom program designed to give each child an opportunity to participate in experiences that will enrich their development in a safe, culturally rich environment. The Sr. ECE will be directly supervising other ECE's and ECE students working in the classroom. The Sr. ECE will supervise the preschool program in accordance with current best practices and ensure that the program meets or exceeds all AHS expectations, licensing regulations and reporting requirements.

#### **Summary of Qualifications**

The Senior Early Childhood Educator will have demonstrated ability in:

- Planning and implementing developmentally appropriate activities and experiences.
- Ensuring health and safety for children.
- Encouraging children's learning and development of positive self-concept.
- Using appropriate guiding and caring for groups of children from 2 ½ to 5 years old.
- Maintaining positive communication with parents.
- Working effectively as a member of a team.

In addition, the Senior Early Childhood Educator will have:

- Valid Early Childhood Education Certificate and License to Practice. Post basic certificate an asset.
- Minimum 5 years experience working in a child care setting and with families, supervisory experience will be given preference.
- Strong interpersonal, written and oral communication skills, including computer skills.
- Clear Criminal Records Check conducted under the Criminal Records Review Act.
- Valid first aid training and certificate.
- Working knowledge of the Aboriginal Head Start philosophy and curriculum an asset.

#### Terms of Employment

- Full time (35 hours per week)
- Start Date: as soon as possible
- Remuneration: negotiable based on experience

#### Cover Letter & Resume to

Executive Director  
 BC Aboriginal Child Care Society  
 708 – 100 Park Royal South  
 West Vancouver, BC V7T 1A2  
 Fax: 604-913-9129

*We thank all those who apply. Only those candidates selected for interview will be contacted. Where applicants for a position are equally suitable, preference will be given to the Aboriginal applicant.*

#### **Part-Time ECE Supervisor Needed at Tee Pee Tot Daycare, Lower Similkameen Indian Band, Cawston BC - NEW**

**Position:** ECE Supervisor  
**Status:** Part time working into full time  
**Hours:** Negotiable  
**Wage:** Starting at \$14.00, also depends on experience  
**Location:** Tee Pee Tot Daycare  
 1930 Cawston/Oliver road,  
 Cawston BC

**Posting Date:** January 19, 2010

**Starting Date:** April 6, 2010

**Closing Date:** March 31, 2010

**Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Assists with the preparation of activity programs based on the centre's philosophy and policies. - With the work team, strives to create a happy atmosphere of caring, growth, learning, stimulation, creativity and respect
- Plans, organizes and leads daily activities designed to stimulate intellectual, physical and emotional growth of children, Encourages co-operation and participation.
- Maintains constant supervision of indoor and outdoor play periods.
- Directs and assists children with their everyday needs, in the development of proper eating, resting and toilet habits-
- Prepares daily snack and hot lunch.
- Follows good safety and hygiene practices,
- Encourages open communication with the parents concerning the needs, progress or problems of their children,
- Takes part in training sessions and attends personnel meetings.
- Performs all other related tasks.
- Performs daily maintenance of the centre and seasonal tasks.

**Qualifications:**

- Diploma or certificate in Early Childhood education
- Valid First Aid Certificate.
- Criminal Record check
- Updated TB test.
- Experience with children.
- 3 reference letters

**Application Instructions:** Please send cover letter, resume, references and qualification information to:

**Diane Stewart**  
 Box 100 Keremeos, BC  
 VOX 1N0  
 Email: [tpt@lsib.net](mailto:tpt@lsib.net)

**Full-Time Infant/Toddler Supervisor Needed at Tee Pee Tot Daycare, Lower Similkameen Indian Band, Cawston BC - NEW**

**Position:** Infant/toddler Supervisor  
**Status:** Full time  
**Hours:** 8:30 – 4:30  
**Wage:** \$16.00 to start, also depends on experience  
**Location:** Tee Pee Tot Daycare  
 1930 Cawston/Oliver road,  
 Cawston BC

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- Prepares daily snack.
- Follows good safety and hygiene practices.
- Encourages open communication with the parents concerning the need, progress or problems of their children.
- Takes part in training sessions and attend personal meetings.
- Performs all other related tasks.
- Performs daily maintenance of the centre and seasonal tasks.

**Qualifications:**

- Diploma or certificate in Early Childhood Education and Infant Toddler
- 1 year experience developing and delivering educational children's programs
- Valid First Aid Certificate
- Completes criminal record check
- Updated TB test
- 3 reference letters

**Application Instructions:** Please send cover letter, resume, references and qualification information to:

**Diane Stewart**  
 Box 100 Keremeos, BC  
 VOX 1N0  
 Email: [tpt@lsib.net](mailto:tpt@lsib.net)

**Five Positions available for Early Child Educators at Little Paws AHS Preschool, Penticton Indian Band, Summerland, BC - NEW**

**1 infant/toddler educator, 2 early childhood educators, 2 early childhood assistants**

Date of Posting: January 15,2010

Closing Date: January 30, 2010

**NATURE AND SCOPE OF WORK:** Reporting to the Day care Manager the ECE is responsible for planning and implementing developmentally appropriate activities and experiences. Ensuring health and safety for children, encouraging children's learning and development of positive self-concept. Using appropriate guiding and caring for groups of children from infant to 5 years old. Maintaining positive communication with parents and working effectively as a member of a team.

**REQUIRED ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS:**

1. ECE /ASSISANT certification license to practice

2. criminal record check and TB test
3. first aid certification
4. record keeping and other administrative skills
5. supervisory skills
6. excellent interpersonal communication skills

Hours of employment: Full time 35 hours per week

Rate of pay: \$14.00-\$18.00 per hour + Benefits.

Daycare employees are encouraged to learn about the culture, language and traditions of the Okanagan people. We thank all those who apply. Only candidates selected for interview will be contacted. Where applicants for a position are equally suitable, preference will be given to the Aboriginal applicant.

RESUMES MAY BE SENT TO:

Glenda MacDonald  
RR#2, Site 80, Comp.19  
Penticton BC  
V2A-6J7  
[gmacdonald@pib.ca](mailto:gmacdonald@pib.ca)

**Full-Time Position for Early Childhood Educator at the Smuyuq'wa' Lelum Lady Bug Lodge Day Care, Tsawwassen First Nation, BC - STILL OPEN**

Smuyuq'wa' Lelum requires a skilled, responsible worker to provide quality, inclusive child care services for young children in a group setting under the direction of the centre's Early Childhood Education Manager.

**Scope:** Full Time; Monday to Friday

**Summary of Duties:**

- a) Plan, carry out, and assess developmentally appropriate activities and experiences that promote the well-being of each child and that respect and reflect the diverse needs of children.
- b) Assist client understanding of intake forms.
- c) Individualize the curriculum and ensure that all activities are accessible.
- d) Determine specific times during the day when some children may require extra staffing support.
- e) Ensure guidance of children's behavior that encourages positive self concept.
- f) Ensure the child care environment is healthy and safe for all children.
- g) Ensure positive communication with enrolling parents/legal guardians.
- h) Contribute to the ongoing operation of the centre.
- i) Assist children in expressing themselves by listening and responding with questions or comments that extend conversations.
- j) Provide a daily balance of active/quiet, indoor/outdoor and individual/group activities.
- k) Use a variety of teaching techniques including modeling, observing, questioning, demonstrating and reinforcing.
- l) Set reasonable behavior expectations consistent with the centre's philosophy and policies.

**Job Skills and Abilities:**

- Ability to multitask & work independently
- Must possess strong interpersonal communication skills
- Plan/participation in Special Events
- Must possess strong organizational skills
- Conduct themselves in a professional manner and maintain strict confidentiality
- Ability to work independently while also a team player
- Must love children

**Qualifications/Experience**

- A valid Early Childhood Education Certificate and licence to practice (in accordance with the *Child Care Regulation*)
- A valid safety oriented first aid certificate
- A Food Safe certificate
- A tuberculosis test
- A criminal record check clearance letter

**Please fax or mail resume, a cover letter and two current references to:**

**Chrystalynn Wilson**

1926 Tsawwassen Drive

Tsawwassen BC, V4M 4G2

**Fax:** 604-943-9226

**E-mail:** [cwilson@tsawwassenfirstnation.com](mailto:cwilson@tsawwassenfirstnation.com)

**Deadline date: Until position filled**

**Full-Time Position for Infant & Toddler Early Childhood Educator at the Smuyuq'wa' Lelum Ladybug Lodge, Tsawwassen First Nation, BC - STILL OPEN**

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least a month in advance before the conference. The enews is sent weekly on Fridays. Send enews items to [david@acc-society.bc.ca](mailto:david@acc-society.bc.ca)

### Aboriginal ECE Job Posting Service

Whether you are looking for work in the Aboriginal ECE field or looking for qualified professionals to work in your Aboriginal early childhood education program, we can help. Send your Aboriginal ECE job postings to [david@acc-society.bc.ca](mailto:david@acc-society.bc.ca) and we can spread the news through our enews and post them on our website [www.acc-society.bc.ca](http://www.acc-society.bc.ca) free of charge. Be sure to check our Job Postings page regularly!

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Thank you!

“We have been caring for our children since time immemorial. [We have not always had the right to raise our children.] The teachings of our values, principles, and ways of being to the children and youth have ensured our existence as communities, nations, and peoples. The values of our people have ensured our existence. It is to the children that these values are passed. The children are our future and our survival. The care of these children was a shared responsibility by the family and the community.”

o Elder Mary Thomas, Shuswap Nation (ACCS Agency Elder 1997-2006)

“Creating a new memory in the minds of our children.”

-- Herb George (Satsan), National Centre for First Nations Governance

“Be Humble. Always be humble.”

-- Leonard George, Tsleil-Waututh First Nation

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