



Chilliwack School District

Chilliwack School District No. 33, located at the eastern end of the Fraser Valley, is one of a few growing school districts in the province. The District is privileged to operate within S'olh Temexw, the traditional territory of the Stó:lō People, enriched by the cultural heritage of the Pilalt, Sema:th, and Ts'elxwéyeqw.

Our district serves approximately 14,500 students and employs around 2,100 dedicated employees. Here, you'll find a diverse, inclusive, and forward-thinking environment committed to creating a safe, caring, and healthy learning and working environment. Embracing our core values of Inclusion, Diversity, Kindness, Equity, and Innovation, we collectively strive to meet the present needs of our students, employees, and community, while remaining flexible to anticipate and respond to future priorities. Syós:ys lets'e th'ále, lets'emót – one heart, one mind, working together for a common purpose.

About the Position

As a school Occupational Therapist (on the mental health and behaviour team) you'll collaborate with the teachers, school-based teams and the district mental health and behaviour team to understand the strengths and challenges of students with a variety of self-regulation and developmental challenges. **Your focus will be on sensory processing, self-regulation, social skills, emotional regulation, and access to curriculum** by creating an inclusive environment and skill in regulation you will promote student engagement and success. Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy Department is comprised of school district staff members and Fraser Valley Child Development Centre (FVDC) staff members who work together as a team to support student learning and access to education. The contract is a 12-month contract with vacation time falling within the school scheduled break times.

- Analyze students' capabilities and expectations related to daily life activities through observation, interviews, and formal assessments.
- Develop intervention programs to address students' needs related to self-care, work, and leisure activities.
- Maintain accurate records of student progress.
- Establish strength based individual education programs as part of an interdisciplinary team.
- Consult and advise on health promotion programs to prevent disabilities and maximize independent function.
- May supervise support personnel and students, providing training as needed.

Core Responsibilities

- demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with School Based Teams, including parents, School District personnel and outside agencies and professionals regarding the student's needs in the classroom and other school and home environments.
- demonstrated ability to develop and present in-service to school district personnel and parents.
- demonstrated ability to establish, with School Based Teams, a method of service delivery that includes caseload selection and scheduling, record keeping, evaluating programs, developing instructional materials, and scheduling.

Salary Range

Based on the position's Salary Grid and the candidates previous experience, the starting range for this (100%) full-time Occupational Therapist is expected to be between \$59,711 to \$109,520.

Qualifications

- M.Sc. in Occupational Therapy or equivalent.
- Membership (or eligibility) with the College of Occupational Therapists of BC.
- Valid driver's license and access to a reliable vehicle.
- Successful Vulnerable Sector screening.
- experience working as an occupational therapist, preferably with children aged 5 – 17.
- Exceptional communication skills in English (oral and written).

- Ability to work independently and cooperatively within a transdisciplinary team.
- Recent experience working in this area of practice.
- Knowledge of evidence-based practices and therapeutic techniques.

How to Apply

Interested candidates must submit their application complete with resume, documentation supporting credentials and three professional references with permission to contact each in confidence. (One reference must be from current supervisor). **Application packages must be received by 3:00 pm October 21, 2024.** Interested applicants must apply electronically through Make a Future at <https://bit.ly/4gYGrUn> to: Assistant Director of Human Resources, School District No. 33 (Chilliwack), 8430 Cessna Drive, Chilliwack, B.C. V2P 7K4, Phone: 604-792-1321.

For Further Information Contact: Jessica Adams-Loupret, District Vice Principal, Student Services. jessica.adams-loupret@sd33.bc.ca

Chilliwack School District is committed to diversity and inclusion, and encourages candidates who self-identify as Indigenous, LGBTQIA2S+, a member of a visible minority and/or a person with a disability to apply for all positions within the School District.