

DEPARTMENT:	Parks and Recreation	STATUS:	Auxiliary
NO. OF POSITIONS:	1-2	UNION:	CUPE, Local 387
HOURS OF WORK:	Weekday Mornings 2.5-3.5 hours per day	SALARY:	\$27.20 to \$29.46 per hour + 12% in lieu of benefits and vacation

The City of New Westminster, Parks and Recreation Department runs a recreational preschool age play-based program at t̓məsəwtx^{wm} Aquatic and Community Centre. The Discovery Playtime program is designed to create a safe, inclusive and nurturing environment as well as prepare them for the transition to kindergarten. This program is to inspire pedagogical approaches and foster learning, exploring and connecting that supports a holistic development of the child. The Program Support Worker supports and assists children (3 – 5 years) with diverse abilities in participating in our variety of programs. This role is a key part in encouraging and integrating our child participants with varying abilities.

Qualifications:

- Completion of Grade 12 supplemented by courses related to the work, plus related experience; or an equivalent combination of training and experience;
- Completion of ECE Assistant Certificate or Infant/Toddler ECE or Special Needs ECE Certificate is preferred;
- Experience working with social, cultural and recreational needs of preschool aged children with varying abilities;
- Experience providing excellent customer service to children with diverse abilities and behavioral needs;
- Excellent interpersonal written and verbal communication skills;
- Passion for working with preschool aged children;
- The successful candidate will be required to pass and maintain a clear Police Information Check with Vulnerable Sector check.

A variety of shifts will be available for this position including afterschool programs on weekends and weekdays and supporting our Discovery Playtime Preschool Program that runs weekday mornings and afternoons starting in September 2024. The schedule will be built based on registration numbers and employment will be based on registrations. Please include your availability in your application.

Applications will be reviewed upon submission and shortlisted candidates may be interviewed prior to the posting closing date. The schedule will be built based on registration numbers and employment will be based on registrations. Please include your availability in your application.

**Apply online with your resume and cover letter in one document at
www.newwestcity.ca/employment by December 15, 2024.**

To support a workforce that reflects the diversity of our community; women, Indigenous Peoples, racialized individuals, persons of diverse sexual orientation, gender identity or expression (LGBTQ2S+), persons with disabilities, and others who may contribute to diversity of our workforce, are encouraged to express their interest.

New Westminster is on the unceded and unsundered land of the Halq'eméylem-speaking peoples. It is acknowledged by the City that colonialism has made invisible their histories and connections to the land. We are learning and building relationships with the people whose lands we are on.

We thank all applicants for their interest and advise that only those selected for an interview will be contacted. This position is only open to those legally entitled to work in Canada.