The Central Alberta Regional Collaborative Service Delivery (CA RCSD) requires the service of a Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for the 2014-15 school year. The CA RCSD is one of 17 collaborative Teams in Alberta with a mandate to provide specialized supports for children and youth in the Central Alberta area. Our Collaborative includes 9 School Divisions, 22 Private Schools, Child and Family Services, and Alberta Health Services. We will consider secondments, contracts, or an employee relationship to fill the positions.

POSITION SCOPE:

This position provides support to students who have experienced hearing loss. The teacher also assists the school team by providing unique and highly specialized expertise which would not usually be available within the local school divisions. There are two part-time positions available as outlined below.

- **One part-time (0.15) position** is available to support children/youth and families within Wildrose, St. Thomas Aquinas, and Wetaskiwin School Divisions. The schools are located in the communities of Wetaskiwin, Drayton Valley, and Rocky Mountain House.

- **One part-time position (0.15)** is available to support children/youth and families within the Clearview, and Wolf Creek School divisions. The schools are located in the communities of Alix, Lacombe, Ponoka, Rimbey, and Stettler.

- **One part time position (0.4)** is available to support children/youth and families within the Chinook’s Edge, Red Deer Public and Red Deer Catholic School divisions. The schools are located in the communities of Red Deer, Olds, and Sylvan Lake.

- **One part time position (0.4)** is available for the Counties of Parkland and Leduc

Please indicate your preference to be considered for one or both of the positions within your cover letter. The positions include travel time and may be filled individually or as a combination of positions. The positions may be adjusted depending upon the skill sets and availability of the applicants. The teacher(s) are under the supervision of the Central Alberta Regional Collaborative Service Delivery. For further information on the RCSD model, visit the Alberta Education website.

JOB DETAILS:
**Location:** Office space will be arranged with consideration given to the applicant’s home location.
**Term:** Positions are to commence with the 2014/15 school year
Conditions: Successful candidate must provide a Police Criminal Record Check (Vulnerable Sector) and current Child & Family Services Intervention Record Check. These positions require both travel (compensated) and the ability to work in a variety of settings. Given the amount of travel, the willingness to work flexible, extended hours on some days is important.

ROLE RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:
- Provide consultation regarding educational strategies, specialized learning materials and resources to address student specific needs.
- Provide information on sign systems (e.g. American Sign Language, Signed English) and in-services related to beginner sign language.
- Recommend curriculum modifications.
- Promote social skill development through consultation.
- Provide consultation regarding individualized programming to enhance auditory, academic, sign and/or oral language skills.
- In-service school personnel regarding the educational implications of a hearing loss and integration of deaf and hard of hearing students into the regular classroom.
- Consult with school personnel regarding program requirements as identified in the Essential Components of Educational Programming for Students Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (Alberta Education, 2007).
- Support capacity building activities such as workshops, in-services and job-embedded coaching.
- Other duties as assigned.

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED:
- Minimum of 5 years of experience (preferred) working with children/youth who have hearing loss, including those with multiple exceptionalities, in an educational setting.
- Ability to interpret assessment results and develop appropriate programming for deaf and hard of hearing students.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively and relate positively with children/youth, families and other professional staff.
- Strong interpersonal communication skills resulting in positive interactions with diverse audiences.
- Excellent oral, written, organizational and time management skills.
- Critical thinking, mediation, and problem solving skills.
- Openness to embracing and leading change.
- Demonstrated self-initiative and ability to work with limited supervision.

EDUCATION / CERTIFICATION REQUIRED:
- Graduate level courses in the area of deaf and hard of hearing.
- Eligibility for Alberta Teaching Certification.
- Valid driver’s license and reliable vehicle.
TO APPLY:
Application to include:
- Cover Letter
- Curriculum Vitae
- 3 professional references with one being the most recent supervisor

Applications accepted until: May 26, 2014 or until suitable candidate is found

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