



INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR OPPORTUNITY!

Remote ASL Teacher Position

serving Deaf students in Attawapiskat

Silent Voice is the only non-profit, charitable organization in the GTA that provides community- and family-based support to Deaf children and adults in American Sign Language (ASL). The Agency provides Deaf children and youth recreational, sports, and leadership programming otherwise not accessible to them; teaches American Sign Language (ASL) to families where there is a Deaf child; runs the Sign Language Summer Program ASL day camp for Deaf children and their hearing siblings; reaches out to disadvantaged Deaf adults; provides essential services to those in need; provides settlement services; works in partnership to improve access to community services; and provides the ASL language development services of Ontario's Infant Hearing Program.

Opportunity:

Silent Voice is currently seeking an independent contractor for the **remote ASL Teacher** position. The incumbent will be required to perform remote work with 3 Deaf students and 1 Deaf educational assistant from **February 3, 2020 to June 30, 2020**. The hours of service will be between 10 to 15 hours per week. The incumbent will report to the Director of ASL and Family Education, and will be responsible for providing remote ASL instruction to students and mentoring support to educational assistant. Other duties include those related to developing ASL lessons and ASL resources, modeling learning strategies, and providing support to acquire ASL.

The primary responsibilities for this position include, but are not limited to:

- Teach ASL to 3 Deaf students
- Teach ASL to local school and community members
- Work and provide support to 1 Deaf educational assistant in establishing ASL language learning goals and adjust to meet the needs of the students & school to achieve their ASL goals
- Conduct research and create an inventory of local ASL resources with educational assistant on an on-going basis
- Conduct consultation & mentoring support through technology to teach and model language acquisition
- Evaluate and monitor students and educational assistant's progresses and future planning, with Director of ASL and Family Education
- Maintain overall management of ASL support to the Kattawapiskak Elementary School and ensure appropriate and confidential handling of students' information and files
- Maintain required program records and submit monthly reports to the agency
- Operate in accordance with the policies, guidelines, and protocols of the program and partner organizations
- Perform other duties as required under the direction and supervision of the Director of ASL and Family Education.

Qualifications and Skills:

- Post-Secondary degree in Deaf education, ASL education or equivalent field
- 3+ years of related experience preferably in ASL instruction and language learning
- Fluency in American Sign Language and English is a requirement
- Experience working with Deaf students
- Proficient with remote video conferencing platforms, desktop sharing platforms, online video platforms, Microsoft Word, Excel, and Powerpoint
- Excellent written and communications skills
- Ability to work independently with little supervision
- Ability to conduct independent learning
- Presentation of an empathetic attitude, cultural sensitivity and commitment to anti-oppression
- Strong interpersonal, assessment, creativity and problem-solving skills
- Results oriented and self-starter
- Team player and experience working with diverse cultures and ethnicities

Working conditions:

- This position works out of a home office and requires use of technology to conduct sessions with students and school
- All of the communication and instruction will be conducted remotely

Candidates are invited to indicate their interest in this position by sending a resume and cover letter **by January 24, 2020** to Megan Youngs, Director of ASL and Family Education at m.youngs@silentvoice.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest in Silent Voice. However, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. No telephone calls please.