# Office of the Wet'suwet'en Call for Applications Youth Representatives for the Youth Mud'ilh Reports to: Youth Director

#### **About Us**

The Office of the Wet'suwet'en is expanding our youth engagement across and beyond Yintah borders. The Hereditary Chiefs are committed to amplifying the voices and inclusion of young Wet'suwet'en to be actively involved in our traditional governance system. We want to ensure our youth engagements are reflective of real needs within our communities. Our goal is to provide a space where youth voices from diverse backgrounds and lived experiences are heard. We will be convening a Youth Mud'ilh – a group of 10 Youth Representatives and 5 Elders from Wet'suwet'en Nation. This means we are looking to expand our engagement with youth who have diverse identities including those of us who identify as LGBTQ2S+, those of us with lived experience with substance use, and those of us who live with exceptionalities. Our purpose is to strengthen skills and involvement of Wet'suwet'en youth.

Let's help carve the path for future generations that is reflective of our strengths, gifts, needs and experiences!

## About Being a Youth Representative

- With the oversight and mentorship of the Wet'suwet'en Hereditary Chiefs, Elders, and the Youth Director, Youth Representatives will work alongside the Youth Director to design and implement a holistic Youth Engagement and Communication Strategy
- Support youth-focused workshops across and beyond Yintah boarders including but not limited to – cultural, mental, emotional, spiritual, and physical wellness workshops
- Create inclusive spaces for Wet'suwet'en youth within our regions to speak up about what matters to them
- Advocate for Wet'suwet'en youth in all aspects of our wellness and self determination
- Participate in leadership training/capacity building. Must be open to learning and unlearning about how we can create accessible and inclusive spaces for transformative conversations.
- Participate in workshops to map out the year, our intensions, goals, and overarching values of the Youth Mud'ilh
- Support the coordination of a semi-annual or annual Wet'suwet'en youth gathering
- Travel across and beyond yintah borders to do land-based training
- Compensation: Part-time at \$25.00/hr for 7 hours a week (\$175.00/wk), flexible hours

#### **About You**

#### **Personal Qualities**

- Empathetic able to feel and understand things from different perspectives
- Resourceful ability to reach out for support or guidance
- Flexible

- Team-oriented able to work as a team with support from Elders and Chiefs
- Accountable ability learn, grow, and be transparent
- Creative and Innovative think outside the box when it comes to the ways we interact with our nation members

#### **Skills and Abilities**

- Can work independently
- Can support and work alongside a team
- Set healthy boundaries and promote personal wellness
- Promote overall wellness for the Wet'suwet'en

### **Knowledge and Experience**

- Wet'suwet'en Cultural Education

We want to encourage folks who have not had the experience of learning our traditional ways to apply. If you have a deep desire to learn and grow within our governance structure, please apply!

- Cultural knowledge of our governance system
- Knowledge of the Witsuwit'en language
- Cultural protocols
- Yintah stewardship for a sustainable livelihood
- Active in the feast hall (Bahlats)
- Committed to life-long learning
- Willingness to learn about Indigenous Focus-Oriented Therapy (IFOT) and Indigenous Tools for Living (ITFL)
- One cultural reference
- Western Education

We understand that due to different barriers we may experience, we might not have access to post-secondary schooling, we encourage folks to apply regardless of their experience.

- Obtained, or is working towards their Dogwood diploma
- Currently in, or desire to expand their knowledge and experience through postsecondary
- Goal-oriented

Please send any questions, cover letter, and resume to Kayla Mitchell (Youth Director) at the Office of the Wet'suwet'en.

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