



JOB POSTING

Early Learning and Childcare Educator

Yellowknife Playschool Association

Contract dates: January 5, 2026 - July 24, 2026, with a possibility of a one year extension.

20-40 hours per week, depending on experience and availability.

Competition closes: November 15, 2025

About the Yellowknife Playschool Association

The Yellowknife Playschool Association (YPA) is a non-profit organization run by a parent-led volunteer board. We offer engaging, active and creative part-time childcare programming to children aged 24 months to 4 years. We have proudly served our community for over 45 years and we're looking for a dynamic, self-motivated individual to join our team.

Early Learning and Childcare (ELCC) Educator Position

The ELCC Educator works alongside two other ELCC Educators to provide a safe, engaging preschool environment for Playschool students under the leadership of the Executive Director. The ELCC Educator plays an integral role in the classroom environment providing structure and routine for Playschool students.

- Maintains a safe learning environment according to the Yellowknife Playschool Association and NWT Early Learning and Child Care Act and Regulations.
- Responsible for the safety and supervision of children in coordination with other Educators.
- Establishes regular open communication with the other Educators and Executive Director in all aspects of providing programming and care to the students.
- Follows Yellowknife Playschool Positive Behaviour Policy.

Job Perks

- Generous compensation package available. Wages align with the Department of Education, Culture and Employment's [Early Learning and Childcare Wage Grid](#).
- Vacation paid at 4%.
- Extended health benefits package available upon request.

Skills and Abilities

- Ability to work with children in a calm, respectful and compassionate manner.
- Understanding of early childhood development.
- Knowledge of the Early Learning and Childcare Act and Regulations.
- Ability to communicate with other staff and parents/caregivers.
- Ability to plan and deliver age appropriate pre-school programming.

Requirements

- Up-to-date Criminal Record Check with vulnerable sector check (a letter can be provided by YPA to waive the fees for a Criminal Record Check).
- Up-to-date immunization record and tuberculosis screening.
- A valid Early Childhood Education Certificate, Diploma, Teaching degree, or a similar combination of education and experience.
- A provisional certification from the Department of Education, Culture and Employment's Early Learning and Childcare Certification Program.
- Valid/current First Aid and CPR certificate an asset (if employee does not have these they will be required to obtain them at the Employer's expense, at a time determined by the Playschool Board of Directors).
- Fluency in a second language is an asset.
- Experience/training in Forest and Nature School Programming is an asset.

Please send your cover letter and resume with the subject line "ELCC Educator" to Jill Gilday at: ykplayschoolcoordinator@gmail.com by November 15, 2025. Only successful applicants will be contacted for an interview. Thank you!