

Bioregional Education Association | 2738 Higgins Street | Victoria BC | oakandorca.ca

School Administrative Assistant Position

The Bioregional Education Association is seeking a like-minded, compassionate, and skilled administrative assistant in Victoria BC to join our community and contribute to running Oak and Orca School and Hands-On Home-Learning.

Oak and Orca Bioregional School is a small, unique independent school in Victoria BC offering compassionate learning experiences for children from pre-primary through grade 12 both in person and through our Hands-On Home-Learning program. We have families around BC who carefully choose our program because of our values-based, non-profit approach to education. We endeavour to use consensus-based decision making within compassionate teams of educators. Staff take on a variety of tasks within the organization and typically work on several different teams to create a full-time position that is challenging and multi-faceted.

We are looking for organized, compassionate, and creative individuals who enjoy working with and around children in a community-minded setting to join our administrative team.

We are looking for...

- an interest in bioregionalism and working in a non-profit environment
- a clear and compassionate communicator with strong written and oral communication skills
- strong tracking and follow-through skills
- familiarity and proficiency with databases, spreadsheets, and processing financial information
- ability to accurately input and analyze data of various types and formats
- flexibility and adaptability
- willingness to work with and around children and families (in person and/or at at distance)
- interest in alternative teaching and learning
- ability to work with others, and to work with a consensus decision making approach
- willingness to be mentored in the school's philosophy

General Administrative Responsibilities

- Reception, including telephone, email, and walk-in inquiries from existing and prospective community members, vendors and other folks
- Record-keeping and maintenance of paper-based and digital files, financial records, student records, payroll records, and other confidential files.
- Liaising with 3rd party vendors who provide learning support and resources to students; invoicing and budgeting for these supports and resources.
- Documenting procedures
- Registration and de-registration of students, preparing and receiving student files.
- Managing, organizing, researching and assisting with various projects as needed
- Getting to know our families
- Integration with our Special Education Team to support students with diverse abilities needing extra support, including learning about the Ministry of Education funding model and funding categories and supports required.

Other Potential Tasks

- Childcare and education, possibly including out of school care, time outside with kids during recess and lunch-time, workshops, reading with kids, etc.
- Building relationships with students, particularly those needing extra support
- Tidying, gardening, general repairs and maintenance
- Proofreading/Editing
- Developing learning activities for our home-learning families
- Supporting the growth of our programs (e.g. marketing, supporting new coworkers, community events, etc.

The Oak and Orca Team

Our supportive, consensus-based, collaborative team fosters a different kind of education, embracing each child's natural inquiry process within the context of daily routines. All staff at Oak and Orca are expected to model a bioregional lifestyle including ecological and social responsibility. In keeping with these philosophies, all staff are expected to bike/bus/walk to work most days and to observe the Bioregional Education Association constitution, bylaws, and policies.

If the description above feels like a fit for you and you'd like to join our school community, please <u>visit our website</u> to learn about our application process. We look forward to hearing from you!