



### **Contracted Service Agreement or Secondment Professional Opportunity**

SAPDC is seeking the professional knowledge, skills, and attributes of a **Learning Facilitator, to work 70-100 days**, for the West Region of Southern Alberta. The successful candidate's primary focus would be in supporting the school districts of Lethbridge School Division, Holy Spirit, Livingstone Range School Division, Horizon School Division, Palliser School Division, Westwind School Division and the two Band School Divisions (Kainai & Peigan). This position is an excellent fit for a recently retired individual with a strong interest and history in professional development. The possibility exists to explore a secondment option for a part-time current teacher where suitable flexibility of contract and time can be established.

This individual will have the flexibility to travel from their location to nearby districts, or to Lethbridge, Edmonton and Calgary to participate in other meetings and training when necessary. The flexibility of this schedule will allow this professional to manage their time to best meet the needs in the role of an SAPDC Learning Facilitator and the districts they serve. Comfort with technology as a support in presenting and working with others has recently become vital and is an asset for this position. The position will be for one year, with the possibility of an extension.

Learning Facilitators collaborate to implement professional learning program plans at a district and/or school level to support the direction of the school or district professional learning plan. This role includes the following responsibilities:

- Collaboration with the SAPDC Executive Director to implement professional learning opportunities which are planned to meet the requirements of Alberta Education priorities and the professional learning goals of districts, schools, and teachers in southern Alberta.
- Serve as a provider of professional development and/or plan for others to provide professional development.
- Coordinate or facilitate forms of professional development/learning designed to be responsive to learning needs identified provincially, regionally, and at a district, school and individual teacher level.
- Model, and actively demonstrate, a commitment to life-long learning and increasing their own efficacy and professional capacity, as they are serving the learning needs of educators in our region.

With expertise in professional development, Learning Facilitators utilize professional learning opportunities to leverage improvement in teacher practice and student learning.

By supporting adult learning, as close to the classroom as possible, our Learning Facilitators provide elbow to elbow support for educators in our region, as they strive to increase their individual and learning team professional capacity.

Individuals interested in this position, designed to facilitate learning opportunities for educators on the west side of our region, should demonstrate through their professional portfolio and/or references, the following:

- A commitment to ongoing professional learning
- A comfort with technology and its appropriate use in support of learning
- Formal or informal leadership in the field of professional development
- Knowledge of current education research
- Knowledge of the theory of adult learning

In addition, the following are assets in the selection of the successful candidate - knowledge, skills, and attributes in relation to:

- Alberta Education's Curriculum & Curriculum Development process
- Inclusive Education and the roles and responsibilities of learning coaches
- coaching models in support of educational excellence (i.e. cognitive coaching, instructional coaching, peer coaching)
- facilitation of adult learning

The successful candidate will be expected to continue the excellent work in support of the South West Alberta Teachers' Convention (SWATCA) Board.

Interested candidates are invited to submit a complete application outlining qualifications, competencies and qualities pertaining to this position along with the names, complete addresses and telephone numbers of three references.

**Deadline for Applications:**

Although the competition will remain open until a suitable candidate is found, applications received by **4:00 pm on April 27, 2020** will be assured careful consideration. Applications will be accepted by email to [heather.pearson@sapdc.ca](mailto:heather.pearson@sapdc.ca) mail, or hand delivery to the address below:

**Applications should be addressed to:**

Rick Gilson, Executive Director

Southern Alberta Professional Development Consortium (SAPDC)

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***We thank all applicants for their interest, however only individuals selected for interviews will be contacted.***

***For more information about the position, please contact Rick Gilson, Executive Director of SAPDC at [rick.gilson@sapdc.ca](mailto:rick.gilson@sapdc.ca) or 587-220-1723***