

# KENNEDY DERY

## SKILLS

I am extremely efficient at my workplace when implementing my organization, preparation, and time management abilities for all tasks. I have great interpersonal communication skills and am fluent with virtual connections and programs. I have lots of experience as a leader and teammate in various settings.

## OBJECTIVE

My objective is to find a space where I can work with children. A place where I can develop my skills as an educator and gain more experience with children and their educational needs. I hope to find a friendly, supportive workplace environment that I can integrate into. I am currently available for a full time position for the 2022-2023 school year!

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Childcare Assistant | MFRC Child Care Services Cold Lake | July 2017-August 2017 & July 2018-August 2018**

Ensured excellent childcare through learning and play for children ages ranging from 6 months to 6 years. Supervised child-centered activities and engaged with children as much as possible throughout daily routines. I ensured that the environment was always organized and clean and maintained excellent communication with the parents.

### **Childcare Assistant | Royal Axa Day Care Lethbridge | January 2018-April 2018**

I cooperatively created a safe and caring learning environment for children aged 2 to 3. I would engage in child-centered activities that promoted learning and play. I ensured a safe and clean



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environment for the children and made significant efforts to connect with each child and their parents as much as possible.

**Childcare Assistant | Gold's Gym Lethbridge |  
September 2018-February 2020**

I supervised multiple children ranging from 12 weeks-12 years at any time. I made sure to provide activities for each student and interacted with the children as they played whenever possible. Throughout my time, I initiated a learning through play program while assisting in managing the childcare facility. I educated children in foundational ideas such as the alphabet, colours and numbers through crafts, games, and activities. My favourite part of this job was the relationships that I had established with the children and their families.

**Program Leader | YWCA Neighbourhood Play  
Program Lethbridge | July 2-August 15 2019**

Through teamwork, we prepared and lead various activities for children aged 6-12. Our primary goal was learning through play and engaging with children as much as possible! Each day we would meet at a park in a particular neighbourhood where children could come as often as they would to participate in guided games, activities and field trips.

**AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES**

**University of Lethbridge Indigenous  
Careers Award  
2020-2021**

**University of Lethbridge Metis Scholar  
Award**

**Government of Alberta Jason Lang  
Scholarship  
2020 & 2021**

**Indspire Building Brighter Futures Award  
2021 & 2022**

**Belcourt Brosseau Award  
2019**

**Andy Collins Award Region II Metis**

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE OR LEADERSHIP**

**Assistant Coach 2014-2017**

I was responsible for implementing drills and creating lineups during games for a 5/6 basketball team.

**Volunteer Assistant 2018**

On National Indigenous Day, I participated in a luncheon through the Region II Métis Nation. Here I helped serve traditional food such as bannock and soup to students of the Elementary and Junior-High schools in Elk Point, Alberta.

**Youth at Métis General Assembly  
2018**

I was invited to participate and provide information and feedback about the youth in our Region II Métis community. Here I was gifted a Métis sash which honours a significant part of my Métis identity.

**Grade 6 Basketball Coach 2023**

Throughout the basketball season, I coached the boys and girls basketball teams. I lead practices that included drills to help students learn and develop instrumental basketball skills. I also held team meetings that reviewed their previous games. I completed coach administrative tasks such as permission forms, schedules, and parent communication. We were the 5/6 Boys Champions this year!

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### **Elementary Work School Experience | Cold Lake Elementary | February 2016-June 2016**

Here I assisted students with expanding their knowledge, specifically in reading and writing. I observed teaching practices, assisted in student activity preparation, and took opportunities to teach students individually and as a class.

### **Education 2500 (Orientation to Teaching) | Galbraith Elementary School, Lethbridge, AB | May 2019-June 2019**

This was my first practicum that provided opportunity for hands-on learning. I was working within a grade 3 classroom. I observed teaching practices from multiple teachers and assisted in the classroom as much as possible. I made sure to reflect on my growth and desire to become an educator.

### **Professional Semester I | Cardston Elementary School, Cardston, AB | November 2020-December 2020**

During my time in a Grade 1 classroom, I experienced multiple teaching practices and had opportunities to teach students various lessons. Aside from teaching, I evaluated and provided both one-on-one and small group engagement for all students. I learned and implemented multiple formative assessments. I established positive relationships with the students and staff in the school and ensured that I created and maintained a positive learning environment in the classroom.

### **Professional Semester II | Barons School, Barons, AB | March 2021-April 2021**

At this point, I was responsible for teaching 1/3 of the time provided. I focused on science, social, health and art and was responsible for providing detailed and engaging unit and lesson plans as well as activities for students that promoted a positive learning experience. I used both formative and summative assessment practices throughout this practicum. The school was a hundred percent Low-German Mennonite school and I ensured to learn and familiarize myself with the culture.

### **Grade 6 Badminton Coach 2023**

I was responsible for all Grade 6 badminton participants, I led tryouts and practices. I taught a lot of the students the rules and etiquette of badminton. I attended multiple schools to see the majority of my participants play and followed 6 of the participants to districts.

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### **Professional Semester III | W.A. Day Elementary School, Fort Macleod, AB | January 2022-April 2022**

I was responsible for teaching and leading students 2/3 of the time. I was responsible for teaching writing, math, science and social to students during my time. I created long-range plans, unit plans and lessons plan that were detailed and engaging. One major responsibility was assessment, I implemented formative and summative assessment practices which I used later to complete report cards. I participated in collaborative preparation and had the opportunity to engage in parent teacher interviews. The school had various programs that I familiarized myself with to ensure inclusion throughout my teaching and everyday interactions with students.

### **Grade 6 | Cold Lake Junior High | September 2022-June 2023**

I was employed as a temporary Grade 6 homeroom, Social Studies, Science, Music and Fine Art teacher. I used my education to create detailed plans for units and lessons. I created meaningful relationships with a majority of the students. I participated in division and school led professional developments as long as collaborated in a team with my colleagues to better the education of our students. I volunteered in extracurricular activities and made efforts to assist where needed whenever needed. I created meaningful, fun and engaging lessons that encourage student participation and throughout connections

### EDUCATION

### **B.A./B.Ed. | June 2022 | University of Lethbridge**

The UofL implements a combined-degree program for education students. Alongside my Bachelor's in Education, I also completed a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology.

### **Early Learning Childcare Assistant Level 1 | June 2016 | Cold Lake High School**

I completed a correspondence course with the supervision of a teacher to receive a Level 1 Early Childcare Assistant certificate. I used the certificate to work at plenty of childcares while in school to gain more experience with young children and their developing brain.

### **Indigenous Canada Course | November 2020 | University of Alberta**

This was an asynchronous course that I enrolled in to further my knowledge of First Nation, Métis, and Inuit communities in Canada.

### **Métis Foundational Knowledge Themes Course | May 2022 | Rupertsland institute**

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