

SUMMER READING TENT VOLUNTEER

Term: 3 hours per event, during July & August 2018

Location: Variable

Frontier College is a national charitable literacy organization established in 1899 that works collaboratively with community-based agencies to provide targeted, innovative literacy and numeracy support for new Canadians, Indigenous Peoples, and the most vulnerable populations in 160 communities across the country.

Overview of Program

The purpose of the Summer Reading Tent program is to promote reading and literacy during the summer months in a fun and engaging way! Over the summer we will be running daily Reading Tents in partnership with community organizations and festivals. These tents run primarily on weekdays for 2 to 3 hours and we need volunteers who have a love of reading to help us read to youth ages 5-12 and run literacy themed activities! We ask that volunteers commit to at least three tents over the summer, but dates are very flexible.

Frontier College volunteers and staff will set up the tents, start with a reading circle, and afterwards move into a book themed activity. This could include word games, writing stories and other fun literacy activities. Afterwards, each child gets to choose a book to take home with them.

Volunteer Characteristics

- Possess a love of reading and enjoy reading with children
- Comfortable with informal learning environments and settings (including sitting on the ground!)
- Be available during the day time and able to travel to different parts of the city
- Be at least 16 years of age or older.

Volunteer Responsibilities

- Assist staff with setting up the reading tent and displaying the books
- Read one-on-one with children in the tent
- Assist staff with carrying out literacy games and activities
- Assist with taking down the reading tent and packing up the books

Additional Assets

- Valid driver's license and access to a vehicle is preferred, but not essential

For more information on how to apply, please contact:

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