

## AMERICORPS POSITION DESCRIPTION

**Wa He Lut Indian School**  
**11110 Conine Ave.**  
**Olympia, WA 98513**  
**Phone Number: (360) 456-1311**  
**Website: under construction**  
**Contact Person: Tiffany Johnson (360)456-1311**  
**Site Supervisor: Harvey Whitford**  
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**Serves Vulnerable Population: Yes**  
**Background Check(s) Required: Yes**  
**Driver's License Required: Yes**  
**Vehicle Required: Yes**  
**Auto Insurance Required: Yes**  
**On bus route: No**  
**Minutes from downtown Olympia: 10**

**TITLE:** Reading Tutor and Intervention Block Provider

**HOURS OF SERVICE:** 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., M – F with occasional evening hours TBD

**POSITION DESCRIPTION:** The mission of Wa He Lut Indian School is to provide a safe and culturally relevant environment that empowers Native Learners and embraces the traditional teachings and values of respect, responsibility, and pride. Our AmeriCorps tutor for "Walk to Read" closes the educational gap that often exists between Native Children and National Norms. The tutor gives our students the opportunity to reach their and their community's academic goals while allowing them the privilege of attending a school dedicated to their traditional values. "Walk to Read" and its accompanying "Intervention Block" enables us to bring individualized reading services to our students. Children in K-5th grade are tested the 1st week of school on 2 measures. One is NWEA MAPS testing, a diagnostic test that is very specific as to what children need to learn next. The other test is AIMSWEB which tells us what they know already. After testing, a Professional Team of educators analyses the data on each child and intervention programs are individually designed. Our AmeriCorps tutor would become, with training and daily supervision, an intervention and small group tutor. Children are tutored in 2 groups (A.M. and P.M.) of 90 minutes each and one on one in two separate 60 and 30 minute blocks. Our member would be responsible for Tier 2 small cross-age group instruction for the two 90 minute periods. Our member would individually tutor 2 students for 1 hour and ½ hour each in skills that a PLC group has determined (based on data) need individual specific support. All member activities are supported with the same training our teachers receive and will be supervised daily by the Academic Coach and Principal (Site Supervisor).

**SITE DESCRIPTION:** The home of Wa He Lut Indian School since 1974 has been on the banks of the Nisqually River. The Delta is also home to the Nisqually Wildlife Refuge, one of the finest bird sanctuaries in North America. The Delta is also the historic site where "The Treaty of Medicine Creek" was signed in 1854. It is the site of the fishing rights struggle that resulted in the Boldt decision of 1974. The beauty and peacefulness of the Delta landscape and the historic importance of events surrounding the school has in large measure shaped the ideals, goals, and atmosphere of Wa He Lut.

### MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND RELATED TASKS:

- Be a mentor/tutor for children needing individualized help.
- Support the classroom curriculum and facilitate small and large group instruction.
- Plan, coordinate and help supervise group educational and cultural activities.
- Help Wa He Lut students to participate as performers or participants in community events.
- Complete paperwork for program participants (AIMSWEB monitoring; benchmarking and Pacing Guides).
- Participate in team meetings (PLC), Professional Development Training, and participant grouping
- Recruit parent/guardian volunteers for cultural activities and the classroom program.

### REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Some college preferred with a focus in education, psychology or a related field
- Applicants should have an interest in and enjoy working with at-risk youth
- Able to follow the policy of the agency related to being a drug and alcohol free zone.

All positions will abide by AmeriCorps Prohibited Activities in the YIS Service Agreement.