



# Lower Sioux Indian Community in the State of Minnesota

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### SNAP-Ed Waunspewicakiya- Job Description

**Title:** SNAP-Ed Waunspewicakiya (Educator) Temporary

**Reports to:** CWO Health/Safety/Nutrition Coordinator

**Temporary Position From October 1, 2021-December 31, 2022**

**Summary:** Provide high-quality health, nutrition, parent/family engagement activities, and education projects and information. Suitable for the whole family, Expectant Families, Birth to preschool children in alignment with the tribe's vision for a healthy community grounded in Dakota language and lifeways. Work in the community, school and SNAP systems to build partnerships with families to assist them in identifying their own goals, strengths, needed services and support systems for historical, and current use of nutritional food, healthy events and commitment to overall health. Developing the programs for learning, utilize and develop strategies and timetables for achieving increases health and nutrition goals. Responsible for research, learning, sharing, educate and implement nutrition, cooking, active events, and communicate wellness through the SNAP program. Discuss recruitment, eligibility, and encourage enrollment and attendance to SNAP education programs. This position will focus on the Infant and Toddler age-range for direct education classes and Collaborate with the other SNAP-ED Waunspewicakiya for Family and Community direct education classes.

#### **Duties:**

##### **Education, Recruitment, Possible Enrollments, SNAP Attendance**

- Implement, document and report on the educational materials, research historical nutrition and activities, discuss family recruitment, and encourage enrollment of potentially eligible expectant families, children birth through age 5.
- Receive and process referrals from CWO, Health Clinic, and other community partners to work on educational materials, influence plan and carry out community educational materials and cultural activities.
- Work with families and community for most informational and educational participation in nutritional and activities in SNAP program.

##### **Services**

- Partnerships with School, families, and community to establish mutual trust and respect
- In collaboration with others, as appropriate, assess communities need for SNAP services;

- develop plans and activities that responds to the food and SNAP nutrition need
- Provide comprehensive community resource information and education for community and families
- Follow SNAP Education Plans for Wašpaŋyaŋ, Waçipi, and Zaniya Uŋ Initiatives

### **Engagement**

- Implement a comprehensive, and developmental SNAP engagement and education program responsive to Community, family, and children’s needs as the primary influence of nutrition and activities in their children’s lives.
- Collaborate with the CWOO Health/Safety/Nutrition Coordinator, Lower Sioux Health Clinic, and others to host weekly and monthly Parent and Family Engagement activities, such as Dakota language and culture gatherings and monthly educational trainings.
- Encourage community volunteerism throughout the program; welcome people to the SNAP /CWOO based program sites as visitors, observers, and participants.
- Provide regular opportunities to work together and with other community members on activities that are helping to develop,
- Encourage others to take an active role in making community services and SNAP decisions for improved nutrition and active lifestyles and be involved in setting goals and basic food-based needs.
- Prepare and enable family members to become their own and their child’s advocate to support nutritional needs and active lives.
- Support the timely delivery of food health nutrition and education services to community and school.
- Promote child and family wellness in food and nutrition, activities. Through history and current relevant information.
- Provide physical/mental health/physical activities and nutrition education activities that are responsive to the ongoing and expressed needs of participants in support of SNAP program.
- Coordinate with the CWOO Health/Safety and Nutrition Coordinator, Lower Sioux Health Clinic and Food Hub and other health services providers to maximize resources;

### **Education**

- GED or High School Diploma Required.
- Minimum of one year’s experience working with Food and Nutrition in children and adults; and
- Minimum of one year’s experience collecting, organizing, preparing, and processing information

### **Experience:**

Experience working with American Indian children and families. Knowledge of the challenges and strengths of low-income families in the Lower Sioux Community. Interest in Dakota language and lifeways revitalization.

### **Disclaimer**

This is not necessarily an exhaustive list of all the responsibilities, skills, duties, requirements, efforts or working conditions associated with the job. While this is intended to be an accurate reflection of the current job, management and Community Tribal Council reserves the right to revise the job or to require that other or different tasks be performed when circumstances change (e.g. emergencies, changes in personnel, workload, rush jobs or technical developments).

In accepting employment, I am agreeing to perform the duties and responsibilities listed above. In addition, I agree to adhere to any policy or procedure changes that may occur during my employment with the Lower Sioux Indian Community.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_