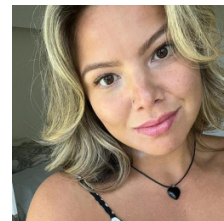


CHEYENNE LAFFERTY

INDIGENOUS EDUCATOR

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PROFILE

Indigenous educator with experience in sport, recreation, and youth programming across the Northwest Territories. I have strong skills in leadership, program coordination, and working with children and youth in community settings. With a degree in Kinesiology and pursuing an Elementary Education degree, I am passionate about supporting Indigenous communities and creating inclusive, active, and positive learning environments.

EDUCATION

Thompson Rivers University

Sep 2025 — Present

Bachelor of Education, Kamloops, BC
Elementary Program (expected to graduate April 2027)

University of Alberta (Augustana)

Sep 2013 — Apr 2018

Bachelor of Arts, Camrose, AB
Graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Physical Education

École St. Patrick High School

Jun 2013

Grade 12, Yellowknife, NT
Honour Roll Student
Graduated June 2013

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Community Living Worker (casual), Connective

Oct 2025 — May 2026

Kamloops, BC
I provide outreach services to clients who are experiencing mental health issues, and/or developmental disability. I mobilize community resources to ensure that clients are provided with support and assistance, life skills assistance and information.

Substitute Teacher (casual), CJBS

April 2025 — Present

Behchokò, NT
I provide classroom instruction for students in various grade levels by following lesson plans left by the classroom teacher. I support student learning by maintaining classroom routines, managing behaviour, and creating a safe and respectful learning environment. I adapt quickly to different classrooms and student needs, build positive relationships with students and school staff, and ensure students remain engaged.

Child & Youth Care Worker/Occupational Therapist Assistant, Footholds Therapy Centre

Sep 2024 — Jul 2025

Nanaimo, BC
I worked as a Child & Youth Care Worker and an Occupational Therapy Assistant. In these roles, I supported children with special needs to improve their quality of life by following therapy plans set by the Behavioural Consultant and Lead Therapist. I implemented individualized therapy programs and education plans in classroom-based settings, documented client progress toward goals, and communicated session summaries with families.

Community Development Manager, Aboriginal Sport Circle NWT

Sep 2018 — Jul 2024

Yellowknife, NT

Started as an intern in 2018, advanced to Community Development Coordinator in 2020, and promoted to Community Development Manager in 2022. In this role, I supported community sport and recreation by working with Territorial Sport Organizations and partners to build strong programs, increase capacity, and grow participation.

Summer Student, GNWT - MACA - Sport, Recreation, & Youth

May 2016 — Aug 2018

Yellowknife, NT

Hired in 2016 and returned for the summers of 2017 and 2018. In this role, I helped organize and lead multi-sport youth camps in all 33 communities across the Northwest Territories. I managed budgets, communicated regularly with community contacts, prepared post-camp reports, and used programs such as Microsoft Word, Publisher, and Outlook.

Summer Student, GNWT - MACA - School of Community Government

May 2014 — Aug 2015

Yellowknife, NT

I was hired for both summers 2014 and 2015. In this role, I reported directly to the Director and provided administrative support. I also assisted with organizing and supporting community workshops.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Great attention to detail	Demonstrated leadership skills: Organized; Problem Solver; Self-motivated; Great time management;	Quick learner and easily adjustable to new environments and people	Love working with children
Work well in a group or independently	Reliable, flexible, and hard-working		

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Person of Rapport, BC After School Sports and Arts Initiative

Kamloops, BC

Assistant in an after-school arts program.

Manager for Team NT female volleyball, Western Canada Summer Games

Yellowknife, NT

Organized fundraisers and events for the team; Coordinated camps and managed clothing orders.

Mission Staff for female hockey team, Canada Winter Games

Yellowknife, NT

Acted as a liaison between the Chef de Mission of Team NT and the coaches; Relay essential information to ensure smooth team operations.

Child Supervision Assistant, Camrose Women's Shelter

Camrose, AB

Provide programming and monitor and ensure the safety of children in care.

Apprentice Coach for female volleyball, Canada Summer Games

Yellowknife, NT

Apprentice coach for indoor volleyball and beach volleyball. Assisted with running drills and coaching sessions; Attended Canada Summer Games as assistant coach.

Volunteer , Camrose Boys and Girls Club

Camrose, AB

Organized and participated in after-school activities and sports games. Supervised activities and engaged with youth.

Volunteer, Camrose Special Olympics

Camrose, AB

Motivated and encouraged Special Olympics athletes in bowling, basketball, walking/running, and swimming. Assisted in developing sport-specific skills.

Volunteer, Yellowknife Folk on the Rocks Music Festival

Yellowknife, NT

Served drinks; Assisted in painting and decorating.

COURSES

Naloxone Training	Nov 2025
WHMIS	Nov 2025
Food Safety	Sep 2024
Standard First Aid and CPR-C/AED	Sep 2024
Serving It Right	Aug 2024
Northern and Dene Games Instructor Training	Nov 2019

REFERENCES

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Hobbies:** Volleyball, Beach Volleyball, Scuba Diving, Snowboarding, Gymnastics, Yoga, Rock Climbing, Softball, Disc Golf, Skateboarding. In my down time I enjoy reading books, doing traditional beading and sewing, and spending time with family.