

Placement Role (Title): Trottibus (Walking School Bus) Volunteer

Host Organization and Description: Near North District School Board Trottibus Program in partnership with the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit

The Trottibus (Walking School Bus) is a pedestrian school bus, supervised by volunteers, that allows elementary school children to safely walk to school from home. Like any school bus, the pedestrian bus has planned routes and scheduled stops. The goal of the program is to increase physical activity among elementary school aged children.

Local organizations involved: Near North District School Board, North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit, Nipissing University, Canadian Cancer Society

Placement Service Times: The pedestrian school bus runs from Monday to Friday, 8AM – 9AM during the Fall (October, November) and Spring (April-June). Students are to interview with the host to discuss availability based on the student academic schedule.

Placement Duties: Accompany school children safely to school from the stop where they board and follow a predetermined route and schedule. Provide attendance list and incident reports to the school office upon arrival. Participate in occasional meetings (i.e. every two months) and provide feedback about the program.

Additional duties if interested, include actively promoting the program and recruiting more volunteers.

Placement Eligibility Requirements: This placement is available to all upper year students. Interest in fitness and wellness and physical and health education is considered an asset. Placement students must be flexible, able to work independently and available during mornings. A valid police check and CPR Level C/FA are required (CPR Training may be provided free of charge to volunteers). Students selected for this placement must submit a resume, cover letter and be willing to interview for the limited number of positions available.

Number of Students Accommodated within placement: (minimum 50 hours): 5

How to Apply: Send resume and reason for interest in program to Carly Snell at carlys@nipissingu.ca

Contact person within organization:

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