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MENTOR-APPRENTICE PROGRAM (MAP)

The Dehcho First Nations is undertaking a 4-month Mentor-Apprentice Program. This program will run from December 2021 to March 2022 and is limited to 10 pairs.

The goal of the Mentor-Apprentice Program (MAP) is to facilitate the development of fluent Dehcho Dene Zhatie speakers where fluent speakers are partnered with committed learners in an immersion environment in a home or on the land.

This will be a one-on-one language immersion program. The mentor 'fluent speaker' and apprentice 'learner' will spend at least 10 or more hours per week together doing everyday activities using the Dene Zhatie at all times and complete 125 hours by the end of March 2022. It is anticipated that the learners will become more fluent in Dehcho Dene Zhatie.

This is a great opportunity to learn and speak Dene Zhatie. If you are a Dehcho Member 16 years old and over, please find a mentor that would be committed to teach you in an immersion environment in your community. The mentor and the Apprentice will be funded to do this program.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, there will be no travel required. The program will convene with a zoom call or tele-conference with the mentor and apprentice to review the program and explain the roles and responsibilities of the participants the MAP program. The date for zoom or tele-conference will be determined at a later date. The deadline to apply is **Friday, December 3, 2021**

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