Spartanburg County School District 5
Elementary Mental Health Counselor, 2021-2022 (1256)

JOB POSTING

Job Details

Title  
Elementary Mental Health Counselor, 2021-2022

Posting ID  
1256

Description  
POSITION: Elementary Mental Health Counselor

REPORTS TO: Director of Special Services

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Credentialed as Licensed Professional Counselor in SC or another state. If credentialed in another state, requirements are to hold appropriate licensure and/or graduate degree (48-hour program) to apply for and receive Licensed Professional Counselor Credentials in SC
- Minimum of three years’ experience working with students

SUMMARY:

The School-based Therapist will be responsible for providing services related to the delivery of mental health care to assigned clients (regardless of Medicaid eligibility) at the designated school location and will provide consultation services to the school staff to support the overall mental health goals of the school and district. Counsel with emphasis on prevention. Work with individuals and groups to promote optimum mental and emotional health. Help students and parents deal with issues associated with addictions and substance abuse, stress, anger management, bullying, and self-esteem.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Provides direct mental health services to include intake assessment, individual/family/group therapy, risk assessments, and crisis intervention to assigned clients. Encourages clients to discuss emotions and experiences
- Provides direct and indirect services on site at the school facility. Help clients define goals, develop and implement treatment plans based on clinical experience and knowledge
- Coordinates comprehensive continuum of mental health services and wellness program implementation for designated
school location

- Maintains regular contact with parent/guardian of each client. Refers clients to psychologists and other services as appropriate. Counsels family members to assist them in understanding, dealing with mental health and wellness issues. Works with families, probation officers, police and other involved parties to exchange necessary information during the treatment process

- Completes master treatment plans, treatment plan updates, Medicaid and managed care authorizations

- Attends regularly scheduled staff meetings at the designated school and with Special Services Mental Health Therapists/Psychologists Team. Maintains a schedule of clinical supervision appropriate to licensure.

- Provides consultation for school staff regarding mental health issues including classroom observation and appropriate service determination

- Assist in the development and oversight of a comprehensive district mental health and wellness program

- Coordinates the district crisis team during after-hours as needed

- Completes 40 hours of continuing education every two years. Focuses ongoing continuing education on trauma informed therapy and adolescent depression and suicide prevention

- Provides appropriate training in Peer Facilitated Wellness Programs, Youth/Teen Suicide Prevention/Intervention Models and suicide risk assessment to school staff

- Provides complete and timely documentation of support services rendered regardless of Medicaid eligibility

- Testifies in court as required

- Maintains confidentiality of records relating to clients’ treatment

**SALARY:** Teacher Salary Scale (200 Days)

*To apply, please upload a letter of interest and a resume.*
Statement of Non-Discrimination

Discrimination of all persons is prohibited with regard to employment and any other program or activity on the basis of race, religion, sex, national origin, age, color, immigrant status, English speaking status, or disabling condition in District Five Schools of Spartanburg County as required by Title IX of the Educational Amendments Act of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended. Title IX Coordinators: (Female) Heather Lister, Director of Personnel (heather.lister@spart5.net and (Male) Dr. Greg Wood, Assistant Superintendent of Administration and Operations (greg.wood@spart5.net)

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**Applications Accepted**

- **Start Date**: 06/04/2021
- **End Date**: 06/18/2021

**Job Contact**

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