

Job Posting – Counsellor

Overview

The Splatsin are the most southern tribe of the Secwepemc Nation, the largest Interior Salish speaking First Nation in Canada whose aboriginal territory stretches from the BC/Alberta border near the Yellowhead Pass to the plateau west of the Fraser River, southeast to the Arrow Lakes and to the upper reaches of the Columbia River. Shihya School has been owned and operated by Splatsin since 1980. The preschool through grade seven curriculum follows that of the Province of B.C. in addition to the integration of Splatsin language and culture into learning. The school is Certified by the First Nations Schools Association (FNSEA) every five years and is federally funded by Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). Shihya School is currently recruiting a Part-Time Counsellor to join their team of professionals. Reporting to the Head Teacher, the school Counsellor will play a key role in supporting the development of students with personal social-emotional counselling services, case planning and intervention for students at risk or experiencing social, emotional, behavioural and/or developmental difficulties. The school counsellor will collaborate with staff, students, parents/guardians, and members of the community to further create and enhance an effective, healthy learning environment for all students registered at Shihya School.

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A COUNSELLOR

- Provide one-to-one and/or group counselling to students, families/guardians, and staff.
- Provide case planning and intervention for students at risk or experiencing social, emotional, behavioural and/or developmental difficulties, collaborating with staff and parents/guardians.
- Function as a consultant participating in integrated case management (i.e., staff meetings, IEP Reviews, critical incident & risk assessment etc.).
- Consult, liaise, and provide appropriate referrals for students with complex or long-term concerns to health specialists in collaboration with students and family/guardians.
- Respond to emergent issues and intervene in crisis situations, developing appropriate management strategies.
- Excellent verbal and written communication with tact and sound judgement.

- Maintain documentation and progress notes in accordance with legal obligations.
- Ability to maintain high level of confidentiality in all interactions.
- Assists students/families-guardians in understanding school policy & procedures.
- Report on case load to Head Teacher.

OUR “MUST HAVES” THAT MAKE YOU GREAT

- Master of Social Work, Master of Psychology, Master of Clinical or School Counselling or equivalent skills, abilities, and experience.
- Current registration with a regulatory body and a member of good standing.
- Min. 1 year counselling experience with knowledge of various counselling models.
- Successful experience in providing a variety of in-service workshops.
- Suicide prevention training.
- NVC training.
- Previous experience working in a First Nations school, community or organization OR extensive knowledge of First Nation History/Colonial impacts and Cultural Sensitivity Training.
- Successful completion of a Criminal Record Check for vulnerable population.
- Registered with First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) and be an approved provider.
- Ability to work with students/families/guardians in a respectful, strength-based way to incorporate cultural practices, values, and beliefs.
- Knowledge of Splatshin community and Secwepemc culture an asset.
- Ability to work with diverse backgrounds & levels of ability.
- Advocate in the best interest of the student/family-guardian.
- Proficient with computers and Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint). Willing to participate in job related workshops, courses, or training to further skills.
- Must have a valid Class 5 Driver's License.

Job Type: Part-time

Pay: \$125.00 per hour

Benefits:

- Casual dress
- Company events
- On-site parking

Flexible language requirement: French not required

Schedule: Monday to Friday

Work Location: In person

HOW TO APPLY

You can apply to the position at Indeed.ca. If you have problems finding the position, type "Splatsin" in your search on the site. Alternatively, you can send your application and resume to human_resources@splatsin.ca. Whichever option you choose, please note that you are a Splatsin Band member on your application and/or resume.