

JOB DESCRIPTION

Post: ON-SITE SOCIAL WORKER

Reporting to: Vice Principals, Designated Teacher for Child Protection,

Assistant Principal for AEN

Hours: 36 hours per week

Salary: Band 6 (£33,706 – £40,588)

Contract: Permanent

Interviews: Monday 18th December 2023

RELATED SERVICES:

• Take the lead in the completion of UNOCINIs.

• Attend case conferences and LAC reviews on behalf of and alongside students.

• Undertake home visits as and when required.

- Working with partner agencies in developing early intervention strategies to address pupil
 needs including mental health, emotional literacy, self-discipline and negative peer and
 community influences.
- Maintain up to date records of students and family engagement.
- Utilise a variety of sources of evidence to demonstrate impact in the role on a termly basis via a termly review report students/ parental/ external feedback, student voice, attendance statistics, case conference attendance statistics, behavioural record and any other source of evidence that will demonstrate impact.
- Attend the Safeguarding meeting cycle on weekly basis.
- Meet regularly with the Safeguarding Designated Teacher.

SERVICES TO STUDENTS:

- Implement intervention strategies to support academic success.
- Use restorative approaches to address and reduce conflict and/or wrongdoing.
- Assist students develop emotional literacy and positive social interaction skills.
- Have appropriate programmes and support in place for targeted students.
- Act as advocate for students in the College setting and in case conferences.
- Have appropriate intervention plans and support in place for targeted students.
- Respond to crisis situations.







SERVICES TO PARENT/FAMILIES:

- Develop positive working relationships with parents/carers to support student's school progress.
- Provide support to families that are struggling to access school and community resources.
- Act as an advocate for parents.

SERVICES TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL:

- Provide staff with essential information to better understand factors (cultural, societal, economic, familial, health, etc.) affecting a student's performance and behaviour.
- Undertake assessments on pupils presenting with mental health concerns.
- Develop staff in-service training programs on factors that impinge on students' progress at school e.g., trauma, neglect, domestic abuse.
- Work with teachers and support staff to strengthen and restore relationships when issues arise.
- Provide direct support to staff when required.

SCHOOL-COMMUNITY LIAISON:

- Help school maintain positive working relationships with external agencies.
- Identify and build a directory of local community resources and external support services.
- Make referrals to appropriate statutory, voluntary and community organisations when student and/or family support is required.
- Advocate for new and improved community/school service to meet the needs of students and families.
- Help the system respond effectively to each students' needs.
- Identify, report, and process any safeguarding issues.
- Provide case management for students and families requiring multiple resources.

This post is subject to a six-month probationary period, and an annual performance review.

The post holder must under-take professional supervision and necessary professional development activities.

This job may be altered from time to time in line with the developing needs of the College. Criteria for this post may be enhanced to facilitate shortlisting.

Personnel Specification

Post: SOCIAL WORKER (Permanent)

	ESSENTIAL CRITERIA
1	Hold a recognised Social Work qualification.
2	Are registered with NISCC or be eligible for registration or have lodged an application with the NISCC.
3	Current full driving licence with access to a car on appointment.
4	Experience of multidisciplinary working with children and families.
5	Are committed to regular supervision and complete Professionals in Practice (PIP) requirements in line with NISCC registration.
6	Can demonstrate an understanding of the specific challenges of Looked After Children (LAC) in a school setting.
7	Can demonstrate an understanding of the specific challenges of a range of students in a school setting.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA

- 1 Have experience working with a range of stakeholders, including statutory, community and voluntary organisations.
- **2** Can demonstrate how impact could be measured in the role.

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