School Counselor Job Description

School Counselors report directly to the Director of School Counseling and the Assistant Head of School.

Responsibilities:

- Understands and accepts the charism and mission of the Sisters of St. Joseph, the philosophy and mission of Fontbonne and the Personnel Handbook.
- Embrace the diversity of Fontbonne by fostering an environment of respect and inclusion.
- Implement and oversee a comprehensive school counseling program including seminar classes, individual caseload oversight and providing services to all students.
- Provide direct support to students and advocating for their social-emotional needs; facilitate students' development of social-emotional skills and strategies.
- Provides a safe environment for students to voice concerns and seek counseling while maintaining appropriate confidentiality.
- Participates in diversity and inclusion trainings as well as Fontbonne diversity committee meetings.
- Responsible for individual academic and college counseling for students in grades 9 12, which includes academic planning and post-secondary planning.
- Analyzes student performance and develops academic plans for students with extended absences, concussions or those on Individualized Structured Academic Plans (ISAP)
- Partners with the town of Milton Department of Special Education on IEPs and services for students.
- Collaborates with adult learning community about academic and social emotional health of students.
- Facilitate mediation and reconciliation meetings between student/student and student/teacher.
- Partners with parents on their child's individual needs.
- Responsible for all post secondary planning, such as college placement and counseling including all testing requirements for college admissions.
- Facilitate grade specific evenings for parents and students.
- Assist in coordinating standardized testing (PSAT, AP, and school based SAT)
- Collaborates with mental health organizations on the needs of individual students.
- Assist school administrators and educators with planning and carrying out school related programs and events including student enrichment days.

- Oversees college admissions counselor visits as well as college fairs and events with the department.
- Collaborates with the school nurse and other supportive staff.
- Facilities crisis intervention and prevention programs.
- Communicates regularly with teachers, parents and administrators on an ongoing basis.

Qualifications

2-3 years experience in education.

Masters degree in school counseling or related field.

Initial or professional licensure in school counseling.

Diversity and Inclusion experience and training preferred.

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