

Diocese of Fall River Catholic Schools
Greater New Bedford Area
Fall River Area
Cape Cod Area

School Counselor Positions for PreK to Grade 8

Various Catholic schools in the Diocese of Fall River, MA (Greater New Bedford area, Fall River area, Cape Cod area) are seeking a School Counselor. The counselor would be responsible for supporting students and their families of 2 different schools each week during the school year. The services of the counselor will be shared between the two assigned schools. There is a need for 2-3 counselors for the upcoming school year. Funding of the positions is grant based and subject to renewal.

Qualifications:

- Candidates must have a Master degree in a therapeutic discipline (Mental Health, Social Work, Psychology) and is eligible to become a Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP), Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) or Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT).
- Experience in providing individual therapy, facilitating group therapy, working with children/youth with a mental health diagnosis. The ideal candidate will have experience working with schools, children, their families and/or communities by facilitating wrap-around services.
- Although candidate does not have to be Catholic, the person must be able to support the teachings of the Catholic Church in all work done with students and families.

Preferred:

- Experience with Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) Curricula.
- Experience creating and/or facilitating training programs.
- Training in CBT, Trauma Informed Care, Solution-Focused Therapy is a plus.

Job Functions:

- Perform assessments on children experiencing social, emotional and/or behavioral problems.
- Create holistic therapeutic plans. Assist individuals in implementing Individual Service Plans (ISPs).
- Communicate with outside therapeutic resources.
- Facilitate referrals to appropriate community resources.
- Provide training in social skills and anger management as needed.
- Provide psycho-educational and crisis de-escalation services.
- Provide training in self-sufficiency and self-management skills.
- Assist in providing non-violent crisis intervention as needed.

- Keep accurate record of therapeutic encounters. Monitors and records individual behavior and documents individual progress according to existing standards and policies to assure protection of individual and confidentiality.

Other:

Can work independently and has reliable transportation and a willingness to travel between schools.

Has solid written and verbal communication skills.

Exhibits consistent personal integrity with clients, families, co-workers and community agencies.

Is a passionate self-starter with excellent assessment skills.

Well knowledgeable of various therapeutic modalities and utilization of them as needed.

Flexible and a creative problem solver.

Candidates should submit a letter of interest and resume to Denise Peixoto, Assistant Superintendent, via email at dpeixoto@catholiccsa.org. Please indicate which identified area(s) of the diocese you are willing to work in.

If contacted for an interview, the candidate will also be asked to provide 4 professional references and, if offered a position, the candidate will need to complete Safe Environment Training and a Criminal Background Check including fingerprinting.